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Okla. Governor Is On The Baptist Hour



Speaker: Hon. Robert S. Kerr, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Subject: "The Christian, a World Citizen."

Date: June 29, 1947 (Sunday a. m.)
Stations heard in Mississippi: WCBI, Columbus; WGRM, Greenwood; WSLI, Jackson, and WAML, Laurel, at 7:30 CST.

This is the final message in the 1947 series.

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Japanese Baptists Make Earnest Plea

In a strong message directed to the Southern Baptists the Japanese Baptists make earnest pleas for aid and encouragement. Some excerpts from the statement of Shuichi Osaki and Sadamoto Kawano appear below:

Although for a season we were overwhelmed in the turbulence of a painful war we continued to nurture in our souls the thought of your prayers for us and the love and labors of your missionaries for us before the war. Amidst the many ruins by fire and destruction of our churches, schools, and social centers we have managed to carry on. During the war our churches were either burned or the members were called to the colors or scattered by enforced civilian labor service and even became pastorless so that there was no hope for anyone of us except in the Lord. We deplore the fact that we were unable to muster enough strength to change the course which our nation took and do humbly beg you and God to forgive us. On the other hand, the various denominations in Japan formed a type of federated union which we joined with the understanding that we would be able to continue to carry on our church life and evangelism after the historic principles held by Baptists.

There is no doubt in our minds that

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The Washington Review

By Larston D. Farrar
Religious News Service Correspondent

CHURCH LEADERS SUPPORT RELIEF PROGRAM; OPPOSE GREEK-TURKISH BILL

By Larston D. Farrar
Religious News Service Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—There is disappointment among church leaders here that the House of Representatives hacked down the \$350,000,000 relief program planned for Europe and Asia, just as there is some resentment at the probability that the Greek-Turkish bill will pass.

Congressmen have received letters from churchmen throughout the country opposing the new departure in foreign policy. Several Congressmen who are supporting the President's new policy say frankly that they are doing so with misgivings and that their mail indicates Protestants of the South and Middle West seem to be overwhelmingly opposed to the bill. UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION

Meantime, church groups are anxious to restore American faith in the United Nations organization, which some informed churchmen feel was dealt a blow by the President's original proposals.

E. Raymond Wilson, representative here for the Friends Committee on

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Where Are We?

By Duke K. McCall

Facts dispute the Baptist boast about our fellowship being the last refuge of evangelism. The study made of all religious denominations for the years 1926-1942 provides the following comparison of the growth of various religious groups:

Assembly of God	468	per cent
Church of God	197.9	per cent
Evangelical Association	87.3	per cent
Mennonites	66.5	per cent
Latter Day Saints (Mormon)	53.5	per cent
Adventists	52.4	per cent
Baptists	35.1	per cent
Christian Scientists	33	per cent
Lutherans	26.6	per cent
Methodists	19	per cent
Presbyterians	8.8	per cent

During the period involved in this study Roman Catholics in America increased 23.3 per cent. The 43 largest non-catholic denominations increased 23.8 per cent.

The secret of the groups which have had the largest growth is that they used revival meetings; they are not ashamed of a tear; they depend upon a supernatural power; they are not afraid to be dogmatic about their convictions. They are concerned about the poor as well as the rich.

LET'S HAVE A REVIVAL IN EVERY SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH THIS YEAR.

RECORD GAINS SHOWN IN CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ENROLLMENT

PORTER ROUTH, Editor,

The 1947 Southern Baptist Handbook, Baptist Sunday School Board Transition from war to peace was reflected in the reports of the 26,401 churches to their annual associational meetings in 1946, as shown in the 1947 SOUTHERN BAPTIST HANDBOOK. The return of service men was reflected in record gains in church membership, Sunday School and Training Union enrollment. Spiraling inflation during the year was reflected in record giving for local causes and missions. The acute housing shortage called for a substantial increase in the number of parsonages owned by churches. Creation of new associations in Arkansas, California, Georgia, Louisiana, Tennessee, and Texas brought the total number of associations in the South to 928.

North Carolina reported the largest gain in number of churches with Tennessee, Georgia, California, and Texas close behind. There were 244 churches reported as disbanded during the year. However, the number of new churches organized makes it possible to report a net gain of 267, or a total of 26,401. These were served by 17,877 active pastors. There were 3,098 pastorless churches reported.

A study of these churches shows that 10,110 are full-time, 192 are three-

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STATE MUSIC CONFERENCE BEGINS JUNE 29

Wake Up, Pastors!

By Dr. A. A. KITCHINGS, Chairman,
Temperance Committee, Mississippi Baptist Convention

Solomon said there is a time for all things. Surely he knew what he was saying. There is a sleeping time, but that time is not now. NOW is the time for all Christians to bestir themselves and drive from our land the plague, the handicap, the blight, the curse, the destroyer, the enemy, the deceiver, the defrauder, the corrupter, the cheater, the briber, the throttler, the oppressor, the gangster, the murdered, the liar, the thief known as the liquor traffic.

It promotes everything that our Christ opposes. How can a Christian

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AP MAN ELECTED EDITOR GEORGIA BAPTIST ORGAN

MACON, Ga. (RNS)—John Jeter Hurt, Jr., member of the staff of the Associated Press in the Atlanta Bureau, was elected editor of the Christian Index, oldest Baptist newspaper in the South, at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Georgia Baptist Convention here.

Hurt will assume his duties as editor of the Georgia Baptist journal about July 1. He succeeds Dr. O. P. Gilbert, who died on April 6.

Dr. Louie D. Newton, Pastor of the Druid Hills Baptist Church, and editor of the Index from 1920 to 1930, had served as acting editor since the death of Dr. Gilbert. The paper is published in Atlanta and Hurt's office will be in the Baptist Building.

Serving with the Associated Press since 1936, in Nashville, Chattanooga, Memphis, New York, and Atlanta, Hurt has maintained close touch with his denomination as a deacon and Sunday school teacher. He was born in Conway, Ark., the son of Dr. John Jeter Hurt, Baptist minister and educator.

Strong Faculty Enlisted

Mississippi Baptists' first Music Leadership Conference, according to Luther A. Harrison, State Music Secretary, will be held at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, June 29-July 4.

The Conference will begin with a State Music Rally at 2 o'clock on Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church, Jackson. At this time the faculty will be presented, plans outlined, musicians registered and homes assigned.

Secretary Harrison states that he

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CLYDE WOLFORD

Clyde Wolford, Tenor, Junior College Music Director, Civic Chorus Director, Church Choir Director of Tyler, Texas, will conduct a class in advanced conducting, Men's Chorus, Mixed Chorus, and will be available for private lessons during the Mississippi Baptist Music Leadership Conference.

Other great musicians are: Paul G. Fisher, Pennsylvania; Mrs. B. H. Kenna, Jackson; Mrs. J. D. Riddle, Texas; Mrs. Stella Steele, Chicago; Mrs. T. A. Middleton, Jackson; Miss Hazel Chisholm, Jackson.

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quarter time, 8,772 are half-time, and 7,327 are quarter-time. This is the largest number of full-time (those with preaching every Sunday) reported. Of the total, 3,450 or 13.1 per cent are city churches (over 2500 population), 3,562 or 13.5 per cent are town churches (populated centers 500-2500), 4,173 or 15.8 per cent are village churches (populated centers under 500), and 15,216 or 57.6 per cent are located in the open country.

The 253,361 baptisms reported during the year was a decrease of 3,338 below the total for the 1945 Centennial Evangelistic Crusade. Church membership showed a gain of 213,751 during the year to make the total membership 6,079,305. The fact that the gain in membership almost equalled the number of baptisms, despite losses reported by death or transfer of membership, is accounted for by the return of men who had served during the war. Many of these men had placed their membership in churches in the Northern Baptist Convention while serving in camps during the war. Some married girls who were members of Northern Baptist churches. The return of these to the South accounted for a part of gain in membership. Nearly one-fourth of the members reported are non-resident.

New Schools Reported

There were 467 new Sunday Schools reported during 1946 to make the total 25,435. This number probably does not represent many of the mission Sunday Schools sponsored by churches and by associations. A place has been provided on the 1947 report for this additional information which should make it possible to get a more accurate check. Likewise, with 213,614 gain in Sunday School enrollment reported by the churches may not reflect the mission Sunday School enrollment in every case. Total membership in the Sunday School is now 3,738,924, the largest number ever reported in any one year.

Training Union enrollment showed a 14.2 per cent increase to reach 802,859. The W. M. U. enrollment, reported by the Women's Missionary office at Birmingham, was 767,521, a gain of 28,161 during the year. Brotherhood enrollment in the churches reflected the return of the men by climbing from 38,538 to 71,412 during the year. Vacation Bible School enrollment reached a new record total of 1,055,673, perhaps the largest reported by any denomination during 1946.

According to the 1946 report, 24,979 of the 26,401 churches own their church houses, a gain of 447 for the year. The 13.4 per cent gain in church property valuation reflects some building, but it also reflects increased valuation on church property. Value of church property reached a new high of \$313,053,779 at the end of 1946, an increase of \$36,964,008. It is interesting to note that the debt on church property has increased from \$6,176,000 in 1944 to \$16,450,000 in 1946. This increase in church debt is more than offset by the \$44,280,000 in the building and reserve fund reported by Southern Baptist churches.

For the first time, per capita giving for missions exceeded the high mark reached during the 75-Million Campaign. Southern Baptists gave \$4.48 per capita during 1946, or a total of \$27,240,704 for all missions and benevolences. Per capita gifts for local work also reached a new record high, \$14.47, or a total of \$87,986,245.

SUMMARY OF SOUTHERN BAPTIST STATISTICS — 1946

(As Reported in Associational Minutes)

Items	1945	1946	Gains and Losses
Association	923	928	5
Churches	26,134	26,401	267 (1.0%)
Ordained Ministers	24,577	24,791	214
Baptisms	256,699	253,361	3,338 (1.3%)
Church Members	5,865,554	6,079,305	213,751 (3.6%)
Sunday Schools	24,968	25,435	467 (1.9%)
Sunday School Enrollment	3,525,310	3,738,924	213,614 (6.1%)
Training Union Enrollment	703,332	802,859	99,527 (14.2%)
W. M. U. Enrollment	739,360	767,521	28,161
Brotherhood Enrollment	38,538	71,412	32,874 (85.3%)
Vacation Bible School Enrollment	801,218	1,055,673	254,460 (31.8%)
Church Houses	24,532	24,979	447 (1.8%)
Pastors Homes	5,395	6,600	1,205 (22.3%)
Value of Church Property	\$276,089,771	\$313,053,779	\$36,964,008 (13.4%)
Gifts for Local Work	75,967,674	87,986,245	12,018,571 (15.8%)
Gifts for Missions and Benevolences	22,490,751	27,240,704	4,749,953 (21.1%)
Total Gifts for All Purposes	\$98,458,425	\$115,226,949	\$16,768,524 (17.0%)

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afford not to oppose it?

Baptist pastors of Mississippi, you have at your command a powerful factor for uprooting the liquor traffic in Mississippi. If you will call a county-wide rally of all Christians to meet at your courthouse and organize a Christian Citizens' League, you have a wonderful helper in the person of Dr. W. L. Holcomb, who will guide you in this organization of such league. He is our official Baptist leader in that work, and you will be most happy as well as fortunate to hear him and have him speak to your churches. The faster you work the better it will be for the future of our state.

Please invite him to strategic places, especially where sentiment is strong for liquor, and watch the sentiment change.

Yours for a God-loving and a God-serving Mississippi.

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has secured the services of a strong faculty, each an expert in his line. They are Clyde Wolford, Tyler, Texas; Mrs. Ella Steele, Chicago, Illinois; Paul G. Fisher, Pennsylvania; Mrs. B. H. Kenna, Jackson; Mrs. J. D. Riddle, Texas; Mrs. T. A. Middleton, Jackson; Miss Hazel Chisholm, Jackson.

The Conference classes will begin at 8 o'clock Monday morning, June 30.

Secretary Harrison suggests that churches let their musicians be absent on Sunday, June 29, in order for them to be present for the State Music Rally.

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According to the pastor, Rev. W. P. Blair, Hillsboro Church, Scott County, will have Home Coming Day June 29. Every member is urged to be present. The morning speaker will be Rev. Glenn P. Dismukes of Pritchard, Ala., and Hon. Forrest G. Cooper of Indianola will speak in the afternoon. Lunch will be served at noon.

MISS BUSH BECOMES EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR AT LEXINGTON CHURCH



Miss Kathleen Bush of Pinola, and 1947 graduate of Blue Mountain College, will begin her work on July first as Educational Director and Church Secretary of the Lexington Church, Rev. Lester E. Burnette, pastor.

The church is anticipating with pleasure the coming of their new worker.

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National Legislation, said that he believes Senator Arthur Vandenburg's amendments giving the UN a partial veto over the Greek-Turkish expenditures helps some, but that church groups must unite to restore UN.

Despite a great deal of hope, church representatives are losing faith in Russian responsibility in international relations. The series of vetoes used by Gromyko at UN sessions and the uncompromising attitude shown by Stalin and Molotov at the foreign ministers' conference in Moscow have disheartened many church leaders who formerly believed that Russia would co-operate more fully.

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CHURCH-STATE SEPARATION AMENDMENT

A meeting of Protestant leaders from various sections of the U. S. has been held in Washington for the purpose of forming an organization to seek passage of the new Constitutional amendment recently introduced by Rep. Joseph R. Bryson (D.-S. C.).

The amendment would prohibit federal and state aid to educational institutions under sectarian control.

The organization will not be primarily religious in make-up, however, according to several sponsors who prefer anonymity at this time. It will include representatives of fraternal groups, civic organizations and even non-believers who are anxious to keep church and state separated to the last degree.

The new organization, when it is announced, will be backed strongly by the Baptists and by a large number of other Protestants and non-church groups.

RELIGION IN OCCUPIED NATIONS

Perhaps reacting to criticisms that it has overlooked religion in its regular report on occupational problems in conquered, or liberated, nations, the War Department now regularly devotes a small section to a resume of religious activities.

The latest report about Korea released here from General Douglas MacArthur, for example, carries a

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we were spared in order that we might dedicate the remaining years of our lives for the regeneration of Japan according to the divine purpose of God. Immediately after the war a large number of Southern Baptist servicemen and chaplains told us about you in the South, and when we received Dr. Rankin's letter telling us of your ardent prayers on our behalf we were greatly encouraged and felt that a bright future had been guaranteed us as the matchless expression of the providence of our living Lord. Since then the arrival of Brother Dozier, for whom we had expectantly waited, has fanned our old love into a flame, and through his representative presence the love and prayers of you brethren of the Southern Baptist Convention have moved us deeply.

Subsequently the Church of Christ in Japan in its annual meeting in October of last year officially announced that it was a CHURCH (not a Federation) and voted to move toward an unified constitution polity, and creed. In regard to this we Baptists could not agree, and from the standpoint of the autonomy and liberty of each local church we continued to study the situation separately until we held a conference at which time it was unanimously voted on April 3rd, 1947 by those churches and institutions formerly of the Southwestern Baptist Association to form a JAPAN BAPTIST CONVENTION based upon the historic Baptist principles and thereby start anew a Baptist program of evangelism in Japan. In doing this we recognized our very great responsibility before God and at the same time our hearts were deeply moved at the marvelous will of God in entrusting us with this mighty task. Although today we have either lost our church buildings, pastors, loved ones, homes, or belongings, and are so few in number and weak in strength, yet the greatness of our God and the wideness of the love of our Lord Jesus Christ gives us great hope and courage.

DESIRE JOINT ALLIANCE

We look forward with great joy in joining hands in the evangelization of Japan with Southern Baptists with whom for a long time we have had the closest bonds of Christian brotherhood, and we would like to be admitted into the fellowship of the Baptist World Alliance as a member organization.

Please do the following:

1. PRAY DAILY FOR US.

2. The people of Japan are earnestly seeking now and unless the way of salvation is given them today this opportunity will probably be lost forever. Unless the salvation of Christ is given our people now they will starve both spiritually and physically and become lost in the mazes of Communism. Therefore PLEASE

a. Help us strengthen our schools and Seminary to train workers for the harvesting.

b. Help in the increase of churches and send us more missionaries

c. Help us spread the net of evangelism throughout the length and breadth of Japan as a Baptist field of endeavor. Help us to improve our methods and adopt new techniques.

d. Help us rebuild our destroyed churches, pastoriums, missionary residences, schools, and social centers.

3. Assist the JAPAN BAPTIST CONVENTION to become a member organization of the BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE.

sub-head entitled, "Education, Culture, Religion." The report gives the information that seven missionaries returned to Korea in January and that two Korean ministers were cleared to go to the United States to study theology.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12.

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Regarding the Co-operative Program: Is it the will of God? Does it call for our best? Is it aimed at saving the lost (by giving to them the gospel), or is it aimed to save ourselves?

First, it is Godlike in spirit and action. God has a program. "In the fullness of time," Jesus came! God has a plan of the ages! The Triune Godhead work as one—being one. Jesus says, "The Father and I are one." God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit worked together in the creation of the world. Read Genesis 1, John 1, and Hebrews 1.

We work together and with God at Kingdom tasks through the Co-operative Program. II Corinthians 6:1. "We are workers together with God." We really believe the Co-operative Program to be according to the will of God. We will not say every percentage of distribution is according to His will—that may be worked at. We will not say our action on designations to be all His will—that may be worked at.

The Co-operative Program is the greatest channel for tithes and offerings to the various causes of Christ we know anything about! We are not talking about the name for it, though, we like that. We speak of the plan, the procedure! It is the plan of working together as the people of Christ in a great cause.

It should be preceded in soul winning practice, bathed in evangelistic fervor—else it will dry up, and so will we, in the wellsprings of our soul.

What should be the basis of the monies flowing through it? The Bible in the Old and New Testament answers that—tithes and offerings. That is always the basis of giving for the child of God.

Then a church in the spirit of Christ should find the will of God as to the percentage to be sent on out to include state missions, foreign missions, Christian education, the orphanage, and all other causes!

The denomination must act also in finding the will of God in distribution. Politics and self-seeking in these matters are evil, sinful, and blasphemous! Yes, the Co-operative Program is in the over-all will and plan of God!

II

Things done in Mississippi are heard around the world. Some months ago Missionary William Lowrey Cooper sent us a picture of the Parchman baptizing, as clipped from a paper in Argentina.

Today, Missionary Gilliland of Nigeria, sent us a reproduction of the same picture as run in a French newspaper. He saw it in a magazine while aboard a French air liner.

III

TITHING TESTIMONIES

"Tithing was presented to me in the B. Y. P. U. when I first started to work, in such a way that I could not help but bring my whole tithe into the storehouse. It has always been a sacred trust and privilege to place my tithe in the offering each Sunday since the first adventure of faith in giving the whole tithe unto the Lord."

ELIZABETH PARKE.

"We want to tithe, and having experienced the giving of it for more than twenty years, we would not do otherwise."

"Tithing is God's plan for financing His Kingdom work and we have no right to withhold the portion that He tells us to bring into His courts."

"Out of obedience to the command and with a heart of gratitude for what Christ has done for us, we tithe our income and set it aside before we use any part."

"Thereby we are partners with Him and have the blessed privilege of sharing in sending the message of salvation to the lost."

MR. AND MRS. J. A. STROUD.

"Tithing to me was an adventure of faith; taking Christ as a partner through love for my master who gave ALL."

"It is a command and as a Christian I want to be obedient and in being obedient it gives peace within."

"I not only want to tithe my money but to give of my time and what talents I have."

"In tithing I have been greatly blessed and surely this is all I CAN TAKE WITH ME."

MARGARET MAY.

"We as Christians tithe because we feel it is a privilege and duty before God. As a result Jesus becomes more real to us, and the Bible becomes our road map. Our work is not chiefly a way of making a living, but an altar where we serve our Master."

"Nothing that we have or own is ours. We hold it for the giver of everything."

VASHTI AND GRADY BRUNSON.

"I have now been tithing for something over a year."

"Nothing has ever given me the comfort and satisfaction I have had in making my contributions to God's work and the church, according to the Bible's teachings. I know and feel that I have benefitted in every way and regret that I did not begin at a much earlier time in my life."

MR. AND MRS. J. A. COVINGTON, SR.

(If you have had a real tithing experience, we will be happy to give it to Mississippi Baptists in a 25 or 50 word written statement.)

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GOING TO HELL? WHO CARES?

Why is this place of everlasting punishment? Isaiah 14:12-17—"How art thou fallen from heaven. O Lucifer, son of the morning! How art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!"

For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the con-

gregation, in the sides of the north:

I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms; That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof: that opened not the house of his prisoners?"

And, Revelation 12:7-12—

"And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time."

Jesus said, in the chapter of our text, that hell was "prepared for the devil and his angels." Matthew 25:41. Because of his rebellion against the government of God in heavenly places, he was cast out to this earth. The devil is not in hell now, never has been in hell, and will not be in hell until the time spoken of in Revelation 20:10, "And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever." But in Revelation 21:1 we read "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth are passed away." This present world order having fulfilled its purpose is laid aside.

Hebrews 1:10-12, "And Thou Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands;

They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment;

And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail."

The devil then cannot remain here longer. He cannot go back to heaven. Revelation 21:27 settles that, "And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life." There is only one other known habitable place for the devil! That is hell, by whatever name called!

What is hell? I do not know. Neither do you. Only those on the other side know. God has seen fit in His Book of Life to give us brief glimpses of it. It is spoken of as, "a lake of fire," "a furnace of fire," "everlasting fire," "fire and brimstone," "devouring fire," etc. The questioner insists those are figures of speech. Well, find out when figures of speech are used and see if that helps any. What is hell? Jesus said it is "everlasting punishment." The Messenger of God to John said, "It is drinking of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture."

"And the third angel followed them saying with a loud voice, if any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosever receiveth the mark of his name."

Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus."

And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." Revelation 14:9-13.

They have upon themselves the sign of ownership.

Men want to tone it down a bit. I am sometimes tempted to cut the corners when speaking on such a solemn subject. God's Word says it is "without mixture." The Messenger continues by saying, "They have no rest day nor night." Jesus says again, "There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth."—Luke 13:27-28. Hell is a permanent state, for, "He that is filthy, let him be filthy still; he that is unrighteous, let him be unrighteous still"—Revelation 22:11. How could it be otherwise? If people refuse salvation in this life, spurning the Cross, the church, prayer, the Holy Spirit, the Bible, Christian fellowship and example—how could they expect a change in a place of no Cross, no church, no Bible, no Christian fellowship? "Ye must be born again." "Now is the day of salvation."—2 Corinthians 6:2 What is hell? I do not know. But the Bible says it is "outer darkness." The Bible says it is the "bottomless pit." Going down, and down, and down, forever, down. Away, away from God, and Heaven, and the saints of God!

Who goes to hell? I do not know, but God's Word speaks with authority! "The wicked shall be turned into hell and all the nations that forget God." Psalm 9:17. "In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God,

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If All Mississippi Baptists Tithed

Recently Dr. G. Ward Fenley and Rev. C. E. Bryant, editors of the Baptist New Mexican and the Arkansas Baptist, have cited figures to show the results if Baptists of those two states would tithe.

May we call your attention to some things that would happen if Mississippi Baptists would tithe.

According to the U. S. Department of Commerce, the average per capita income for Mississippians in 1945 was \$556. It was slightly higher in 1946, probably not less than \$600.

The records indicate that there are 335.2 per cent white Baptists in Mississippi. But some of these are dead, and others dead spiritually. To be fair, we will count only two-thirds of them or 223,517. The total income of Mississippi Baptists figured at \$600 per person totals \$134,110,200 for 1946. A tithe of that amount would be \$13,411,020.

What could Mississippi Baptists do with \$13,411,020. Frankly, they could do much more than they are now doing.

In 1946 Mississippi Baptists gave \$1,456,251 for missions, and \$4,326,864 for local causes or a total of \$5,783,115. If only two-thirds tithed we would give \$13,411,020 instead of \$4,783,115 or \$7,627,905 more than was given. What could we do with an additional \$7,627,905 in 1947?

One-half of \$7,627,905 is \$3,813,952.50. We could use that sum for local expenses, including mission stations, mission church buildings, new churches, enlarged buildings, increased salaries, more and better equipment. There would be a place for every dollar.

The remaining one-half or \$3,818,952.50 could well be used as follows:

First, we could spend an additional \$800,000 on needy church buildings. Then \$80,000 on preaching in unchurched areas. 70,000

could be used to supplement salaries for many underpaid pastors. \$80,000 would employ 40 more missionaries. We could use \$195,000 for a badly needed state assembly grounds. \$1,000,000 could be used for Mississippi College, Blue Mountain College, Woman's College and Clark College.

The balance of \$1,588,952.50 could go to the Co-operative Program which would help causes, but particularly Foreign, Home and State Missions.

Of course, the above figures are only suggestive. Any church could make any changes desired. Our idea is to impress the fact that great progress could be made if Mississippi Baptists would only tithe.

And all the above "IFS" would be facts, if two-thirds of Mississippi Baptists would do what God's Word commands—that is—TITHE.

Do a little figuring for yourself. See what could be done if you and other Mississippi Baptists could do: "If Mississippi Baptists would only tithe."

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Protestant Liberty In Spain

We recently observed (?) "Brotherhood Week" in this nation. Most every entertainer on the various radio net works had something to say about the matter. These folks, of various beliefs, and who make their living by entertaining (?) made it obvious, by their paid writer's script, that if we are to survive the military victory we must work towards a lasting and just peace through tolerance and brotherhood. That's fine. In fact it is absolutely correct. Funny though, isn't it, how "tolerance" doesn't seem to click when it doesn't suit your particular convenience. For instance, and closer to home, a pastor recently told the writer of how a Catholic priest in his community absolutely forbade one of his parishioners from attending the services in that particular Baptist Church. Maybe the "father" knew the kind of preaching that came from that pulpit and figured it wasn't exactly the right kind of 'tolerance' for his members to learn about.

From a January 22 edition of The Christian Century, and by the way, that's what caused this editorial to be written, we learn that a group of Protestant pastors in Spain, who survived the Franco regime, had sent a secret appeal to their fellow Protestants around the world for "help in getting some of the fundamental religious liberties which are denied them under the Franco regime." There were three important facts disclosed in

the appeal: (1) the reaction of Roman Catholic spokesmen to these facts and to the appeal for relief and suppression; (2) the almost complete suppression of the story by the American newspapers which must have received it in their offices as members of the press association which filed the story, and (3) as the editorial puts it, "the case lends itself to a study of minority rights in a predominantly Roman Catholic country and to an inquiry into Roman Catholic conceptions of religious liberty." We venture, and boldly so, to add, when did we become so naive as to believe that Roman Catholicism tolerated any religious liberty to any other than their own constituency?

Further disclosures of the editorial indicates that Protestants of Spain have no right to withdraw their children from Catholic teaching in public schools and are denied the privilege of establishing Protestant schools; are not permitted to print Protestant literature, even hymnbooks; have no equal rights to government jobs AND (get this) DO NOT HAVE A RIGHT TO CARRY ON MISSIONARY WORK. A "voice" of "a Vatican prelate well posted on Spain" continued the editorial is quoted as saying, "as to the Protestant's appeal for right to do missionary work, presumably in Spain, the prelate said in effect that this the Roman Church would vigorously oppose". No dilly-dally about that confession. This is a good place to insert the famous and classical quotation of Gen. Douglas MacArthur concerning the sending of men and material to his fighting lines in the Pacific southwest: "too little and too late". Is this to be statement of accountability the evangelical forces in America shall give for their laxity and passive resistance to Catholicism's attempt to take America for a ride on the Holy See's bandwagon of intolerant exploitation in America. We say 'it can't happen here' but it will, as it has in Spain and every other papal dominated nation, unless the evangelical forces of this nation are willing to stubbornly, and firmly, say "Take it easy, Leo! We respect your right to worship as you choose but remember the old American axiom of 'you can take a horse to water but you can't make him drink', and we don't like the mixture you are trying to put down the throats of government and public. . . so back up fellow and practice what you preach on those radio elegies of yours. . . . TOLERANCE."

Catholicism, together with Communism, could become the colossal headache which freedom-loving America does not wish to endure but it will take the collective

prayers, faith and firmness of evangelical followers of New Testament teachings to ward off the imminency of the danger. "Now IS the time for all evangelicals to come to the aid of those who would keep America free from religious and ecclesiastical intolerance" might be the paraphrase of the old typewriter practice lesson and "perform the doing of it".

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Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

Hidden Costs-But We Pay!

While in St. Louis, I received the following telegram from Senator Walter F. George: "Am advised cost of U. S. staff at Vatican for fiscal year ending April 30, 1947, amounts to \$18,390 for salaries exclusive of Mr. Taylor, and \$11,398.70 allotted or allowed for all other expenses. These are State Department funds." A few days later, Drew Pearson, in his Washington Merry-Go-Round, wrote: "He (President Truman) also used his secret fund to pay the \$12,000 salary of his special ambassador to the Vatican, Myron Taylor." Add the \$12,000 paid out of the President's "secret fund" to the \$30,788.70 reported by Senator George and you have \$42,788.70 as the cost to U. S. taxpayers the past year for the unauthorized U. S. "Ambassador and Embassy," as the Vatican lists Mr. Taylor and his staff. The cost of the outfit in 1946 was reported, through Senator George, as "approximately \$40,000." For the sake of the record, please remember that when President Roosevelt announced that he was sending Mr. Taylor to the Vatican that he took particular pains to make it very, very clear that it would be "without expense to the taxpayers"—Louie D. Newton in the Christian Index.

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Administrative Officers Must Retire At 68 Years

By Rev. C. J. Olander

The by-laws of the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention were recently amended to make retirement of Administrative officers mandatory at 68. This question has been under consideration for some time and the decision of the Board has been reached after study, observation and experiences in connection with the work of the Board, other agencies and institutions. As Mississippi's Board member, I consider this as a forward-looking step.

Many institutions and agencies have suffered in past years because administrative officers and pastors had outlived their day of usefulness without realizing it, and in some instances were standing in the way of progress of the work.

In most cases the age of 65 for retirement is better and the Retirement Plans of the Relief and Annuity Board make this provision for denominational leaders and pastors participating in the retirement plans of the Board.

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Many of the Christian Citizens' Leagues have asked for questionnaires to be sent to candidates. Some have offered helpful suggestions. We have prepared the following as a suggestion:

PROPOSED QUESTIONNAIRE FOR GOVERNOR

If you are elected Governor of the State of Mississippi what would be your position, attitude, and positive effort with respect to the matters covered by the following questions:

1. Do you personally or officially favor the legalization of the sale of alcoholic liquor?
2. Will you veto any bill that would legalize the sale of intoxicating liquor in the State of Mississippi?
3. Are you for or against the repeal of the Black Market Tax?
4. Would you definitely try to get our laws against gambling, and the sale of liquor revised so that they could be more easily and effectively enforced?
5. Do you favor the appropriation of a reasonable sum of money to be available to the Governor to be used at his discretion to enable him to fulfill his duties as the state's chief law enforcement officer?
6. Would you favor the extension of the powers of State Highway Safety Patrol to coincide with those of the sheriffs, making of them real state police?
7. Would you advocate the amendment of our statutes so that they would provide positively for a recall of any law enforcement officer for neglect of duty?
8. Would you favor the creation of a State Bureau of Investigation?
9. If elected to the office for which you are a candidate would you be positive in promoting general law enforcement?

SHERIFF AND CONSTABLES

Please answer the following personal questions:

1. Age?
2. Where born?
3. How long have you lived in this County?
4. Do you personally drink?
5. Have you ever been intoxicated?
6. Have you ever been arrested for driving an automobile on a drunk and driving charge?
7. What is the present state of your health?
8. How much time have you lost from

work on account of sickness in the past 10 years? (Please detail.)

9. If elected:

- (1) Will you personally lead in law enforcement or largely turn it over to someone whom you employ? (Answer fully.)
- (2) Will you make an all-out effort to enforce the laws against gambling, prostitution and the illegal sale of liquor?
- (3) Will you sit back and demand that citizens bring you evidence before you can do anything and cry that you cannot do anything or will you go out and make a diligent effort to make a case wherever and whenever circumstances and reports indicate that the law is being violated? (Answer fully.)

CANDIDATES FOR DISTRICT AND COUNTY ATTORNEY

If elected to the office for which you are a candidate, what would be your attitude and action with respect to matters covered in the following questions:

1. Would you vigorously use the power of your office to prosecute violators of the law against gambling, prostitution and the illegal sale of liquor?
2. Would you actively co-operate with the other law officers in developing cases or sit and wait for them to bring everything to you?
3. Would you make a definite effort to get other law enforcement officers to perform their legally imposed duties?
4. Would you try to get the penalties the law provides imposed upon those who are legally declared guilty or would you be disposed to let them off for less?

REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATORS

If you are elected to the office for which you are a candidate, would you:

1. Vote against the repeal of the prohibition law which makes illegal the sale of alcoholic liquors, or would you vote against any bill which sought to legalize the sale of intoxicating beverages within the State of Mississippi?
2. Favor strengthening the law against the sale of alcoholic liquor?
3. Favor legislative enactment that would make less difficult and more effective the enforcement of laws against gambling and the illegal sale of liquor?
4. Favor the creation of a State Bureau of Investigation to be placed at the disposal of the Governor and District Attorneys and Sheriffs?
5. Would you favor the separation of the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector?

books of the New Testament.

He has written other religious books. In 1909 he published "Sane Evangelism"; in 1919, "Bible Evangelism"; in 1929, "Wisdom in Soul Winning"; in 1935, "The Fine Art of Soul Winning"; in 1938, "Highways and Hedges," and in 1940, "A Bible Revival."

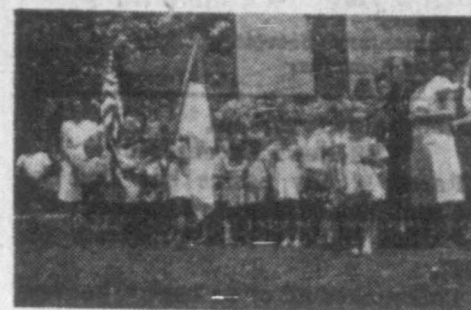
Dr. Hamilton is now chaplain at Baptist Hospital in New Orleans.

Tulips Bloom As Expression Of Dutch Gratitude

PATERSON, N.J., — (RNS) — Ten thousand tulips are blooming on the grounds of the Sixth Reformed church here and on lawns of nearby Prospect Park homes, expressing gratitude of the members of the Reformed Church in Sassenheim, Holland.

The congregation of the Paterson church collected about three tons of clothing for the Sassenheim church members which were sent to them last fall. As an expression of their appreciation, the Dutch worshippers sent the tulip bulbs.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL HELD IN PELAHATCHIE



A large crowd attended the Vacation Bible School commencement at Pelahatchie Church, Rev. G. W. Smith, pastor.

The enrollment during the two weeks was 84 and 34 certificates were awarded to pupils with perfect attendance records. Ten members of the faculty also were perfect in attendance.

A liberal offering was made for missions.

There were eleven professions of faith at the consecration service which was held on Thursday of the closing week.

Baptists Back UN, Ask Cooperation With Russia

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., — (RNS) — A resolution censuring the State Department for "military plans and programs of an imperialistic nature evolved for protecting private foreign investments" was defeated at the closing session of the Northern Baptist Convention here.

The 4,000 delegates approved a substitute resolution supporting the United Nations Organization.

Declaring that international relations, particularly with Russia, cannot be improved in "an atmosphere of hate, fear and suspicion," the Convention, in another resolution, asked that friendly cooperation with Russia be obtained by "interpreting all international negotiations upon a Christian basis of brotherhood."

Churches were urged to make special efforts to create a better understanding of Russia through correspondence, lectures and study courses and by cooperating with the Inter-Church Committee of the American Russian Institute.

In other resolutions the Convention acted as follows:

Opposed universal compulsory military training and called for discontinuing such training in the public schools.

Asked the enactment by Congress and state legislatures of laws prohibiting dis-

Miss Betty Hurt To Join Woman's College Faculty



Appointment of Miss Betty Jane Hurt as a member of the Mississippi Woman's College faculty has been announced by Dr. I. E. Rouse, college president.

A former student at Belhaven College, Miss Hurt has studied piano with Mrs. Louise Middleton, and received her B. M. degree from Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, where she won second place in a graduate scholarship contest.

Miss Hurt received the Etelka Evans prize for attainment in music history, having made the highest average (97 per cent) for the year.

She won recognition in composition by having her string ensemble composition (Scherzo) played on senior class day.

Miss Hurt is a member of Pi Kappa Lambda, honorary music fraternity, having been one of five seniors elected to the organization at Cincinnati Conservatory.

Miss Hurt is a graduate student at Cincinnati Conservatory this summer.

crimination in employment because of race, color, or origin.

Pledged support of legislation to make available unused immigration quotas for displaced persons.

Expressed concern over the growing loss of civil liberties, especially the decision of the U.S. Supreme Court permitting search of a home without a warrant.

Urged the President of the United States to declare a general amnesty for all conscientious objectors, restoring them to full civil rights.

Pledged support of the Senate bill to prohibit transportation in interstate commerce of alcoholic beverages.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

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and that obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power." 2 Thessalonians 1:8-9. How we misread the Bible. Some stop at "destruction" in the above passage. But read on. Let it say its own message. "Who goes to hell? I do not know. But the Bible says, 'The fearful, the unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake of fire which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.' Revelation 21:8. I used to think that was a bit severe to include 'liars' in such a terrible list, but the longer I live the more horrible lying becomes to me. Men and women will lie about each other. They will lie about why they go to Christ's church, and about why they don't go. They will lie about why they do not become Christians. They will lie about why they marry, and about why they do not marry. Parents will lie about children. Children will lie about parents. Men will lie about their reason for giving money to good causes, and about why they refuse to give their money to good causes. Men lie, and lie, and lie! 'Ye must be born again.' How? 'By faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.'

(Continued next week.)

NEW ORLEANS MINISTER FINISHES SERMON BOOKS

Set Contains Five Volumes

Dr. W. W. Hamilton, a Baptist preacher, has finally completed his "Sermons on Books of the Bible" after 38 years' work on the subject.

The sermons are being published by the Broadman Press of Nashville, Tenn., and will appear in five volumes. There is a sermon on each of the 66 books of the Bible, as well as one other sermon on the interbiblical period (between the Old and New Testaments).

The first volume covers the Bible books of Genesis through Esther; the second covers Job through Daniel. They have just been republished. The third volume, now on the press, will cover sermons on biblical books of the minor prophets; the fourth volume will comprise the interbiblical period and half of the New Testament; the fifth will complete the

Sunday School Department

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Unusual Training Records

Several people have done a rather unusual amount of work in the Sunday school training course books during this Sunday school year.

Since last October 1, Mrs. W. C. Taylor, Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, has completed 28 books. Mrs. E. S. White, Parkway Baptist Church, Jackson, has completed 35, and Mrs. O. C. Strickland, also of Parkway, Jackson, has completed 36.

Our heartiest congratulations to these three on this splendid work.

Mrs. White Completes All

Mrs. E. S. White, Parkway Baptist Church, Jackson, has completed every book in the Sunday school training course, which is more than 60. According to our records, this is the only such record in the state. Mrs. White, we salute you for this remarkable record!

VBS Offering to Cooperative Program
We are urging our Vacation Bible school leaders to suggest that the mission offerings be given to the Cooperative Program.

This will not only help to reach our goal this year for this Program, but it will also be a very splendid way in which to teach the boys and girls that by giving to the Cooperative Program they are having a financial part in all the work of Christ as our Baptist denomination promotes it.

Therefore, we hope our Vacation schools will give their mission offerings to the Cooperative Program.

April 4, May 5

Mississippi has certainly made splendid records in its training program during April and May. We stood fourth in April among all the states of the South in the total number of training awards, and we followed that up in May with another good record that landed us in fifth place.

Many of our people are taking seriously the fact that better Sunday schools will never come apart from

better trained workers.

VBS News Encouraging

Rarely a day passes but that we get some encouraging news about the Vacation Bible school prospects for 1947.

This makes all of us happy, because we know that these schools are for the benefit of our boys and girls, who need every helpful safeguard we can possibly give them.

Several associations are "shooting the works" for 100 per cent this year. Why not have a school in every church?

These Vacation schools must be held before August closes, so let's put forth every effort during these next few weeks to reach thousands of our boys and girls for the great Vacation Bible school program.

Hear Them Say It

"Our Vacation Bible school is going strong." Bill Watson, Calvary Church, Tupelo.

"We had the best Vacation school and also study course I ever experienced." Dr. A. B. Jones, Potts Camp.

"We are proud of our VBS report for it was the best school in the history of our church." Mrs. Titus Mapp, Forest.

"We are very proud of our Vacation Bible school, and we feel that it was the best ever held in Clinton." Herbert Batson, Clinton.

"This was the first VBS for this church, and according to comments of children and parents it was a great success." Rev. Marlin Miller, McCool.

Yes, sir, any church can have a Vacation Bible school and have a good one. Such comments as the above are because these churches began some years ago, in most cases, and each year sees better schools. Unless we begin, we will never have the opportunity to improve. We cannot start full grown. It takes time to grow.

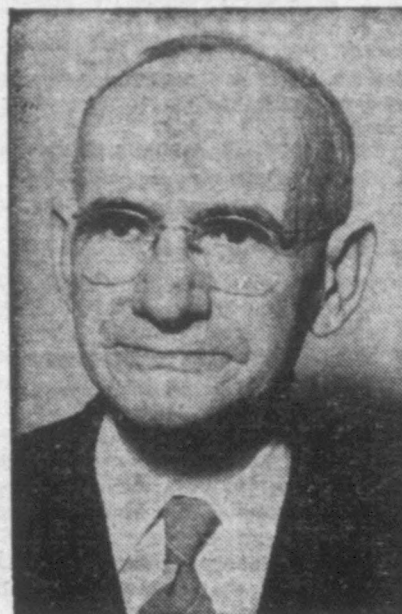
So, plan for a school in your church this year. There's plenty of time.

The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Rev. C. P. Jones, Clinton; Leon C. Standifer, Clinton; Mrs. G. T. Boyd and George Truett Boyd, Prentiss; Herman L. King, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. J. W. Goodrich and Patty Goodrich, Jackson; Rev. John Ira Hill, Union; W. H. Banyan, Sr., Ripley; Mrs. J. G. Holcomb, Purvis; Miss Esther Holcomb, Hattiesburg; Rev. W. L. Marsh, Sunflower; Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, Meridian; Rev. John L. Gilbert, Clinton; Miss Vickie Flowers, Terry; Durrell Crawford, San Diego, California.

The Youth Revival at Booneville will begin June 29. The following will assist Pastor L. G. Sansing in the meeting: Jack Glaze, Pete Evans, Charles Ray, Gloria and Bobbie Haynie, and Kitty Fain.

REV. J. F. BROCK HONORED ON 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Moss Point Church Has Had Great Growth In 25 Years



REV. JOHN R. BROCK

Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Moss Point, who recently observed the 25th anniversary of his pastorate.

On June 1, Rev. John F. Brock, observed the anniversary of 25 years as pastor of the Moss Point Baptist church. Mrs. J. N. Rape, who was a member of the pulpit committee when the pastor was called to the work, presented a gift of silver to Rev. and Mrs. Brock, as a token of love and appreciation from the church. Special music by the choir and lovely flowers added to the impressive observance.

Taking the verse, "Hitherto the Lark has helped us," (1 Sam. 7:12), Rev. Brock recounted many of the interesting and thrilling events of the past quarter century. The church, which was organized in 1874, had a membership of 150 with 100 Sunday school enrollment, when he began his service. The membership now shows 470 with a Sunday school enrollment of 247.

In several instances three generations of the same family are members of the congregation. He says he is happy to have read the marriage ritual for youths who have grown up since he was pastor and then later welcomed their children to his church.

On the quarter of a century he has endeared himself not only to the members of his congregation, but to the whole town. He is loved and admired by old and young alike regardless of denomination.

Rev. Brock has always been affiliated with civic organizations and worth-while projects of the town. He is a charter member of the Rotary club having, also, served as president. For five years he was a member of the Board of Trustees of the city schools. He is also a Past Master of the local Masonic lodge.

A Moss Point citizen declares:

"Perhaps one of the most fitting tributes that can be paid him is that people hail him as friend. 'Preacher' Brock as he is affectionately called means not only counselor and advisor, it means a confidant in time of trouble, and a companion in happy times, a friend with whom one discusses the trivial of everyday living, a spring garden, a fishing trip, or the baby's progress. Yet in time of sickness or death he is one of the first to bring words of comfort to his friends."

Carson Church, Jeff Davis Co., Completes New Pastorium

Rev. W. H. Wood, formerly pastor of Hepzibah and Oakvale Churches, moved into the new pastorium of Carson Church, Jeff Davis County, on May first.

The church has gone forward since the coming of Pastor Wood. The mid-week prayer service which was started has ranged in attendance from 72 to 102. There have been 14 additions to the church.

Plans are for the church to have a Vacation Bible School, a school of music and a revival. The revival is scheduled for next month.

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CHESTER SWOR IN AUTO ACCIDENT IN GEORGIA

Friends of Dr. Chester E. Swor will regret to learn that he was in an automobile accident, June 22, en route from Belton, South Carolina to Marion, Alabama. A broken leg has been set and put in a cast. He is in St. Mary's Hospital, Athens, Georgia.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

June 22, 1947

	SS.	B.T.U.
Jackson, Calvary	1,226	258
Jackson, Calvary including		
Stone St. Mission	1,274	282
Jackson, Northside	243	42
Jackson, Van Winkle	257	156
Jackson, South Side	124	74
Jackson, Daniel	186	49
Soso	123	61
Newton	319	
New Zion, Copiah County	83	35
Gulfport, First	483	114
Chester	63	
Providence, Forrest County	149	105
Friendship, Pike County	180	108
Liberty Hill, Panola County	34	
Rocky Springs,		
Yazoo County	28	
Batesville, First	95	44
Houlka	26	27
Tocowa, Panola County	16	33
Wiggins	133	24
Artesia	23	25
Crystal Springs	537	109
Brookhaven, First	649	92
Meridian, Fifteenth Avenue	452	114
Siloam, Simpson County	95	82
Eastside, Rankin County	83	35
Providence, Tippah County	61	
Darling	47	38
Pascagoula, First	550	100
East McComb	391	195
Center Ridge, Yazoo County	79	39
New Albany	304	188
New Albany, including		
North Side Mission	323	
West Laurel	429	75
Booneville	190	104
June 15, 1947		
Jackson, Parkway	410	146
Glenfield, Union County	64	36
Rocky Springs,		
Yazoo County	21	
Siloam, Simpson County	72	45
Byram	83	79
Houlka	103	34
Tupelo, Harrisburg	278	113
East Side, Rankin County	61	38
Brooklyn	125	59
Liberty Hill, Panola County	66	45
Cherry Creek,		
Pontotoc County	60	
Okolona	157	67
Chester	42	
Cross Roads,		
Webster County	92	
Brookhaven	632	103
Walnut	71	36
Rocky Creek,		
George County	203	114
Lucedale	223	62
Center, Union County	184	59
Wallerville	53	43
West Point	392	102

Help All Causes of Christ Through the Co-operative Program!

Dr. Goodrich says:

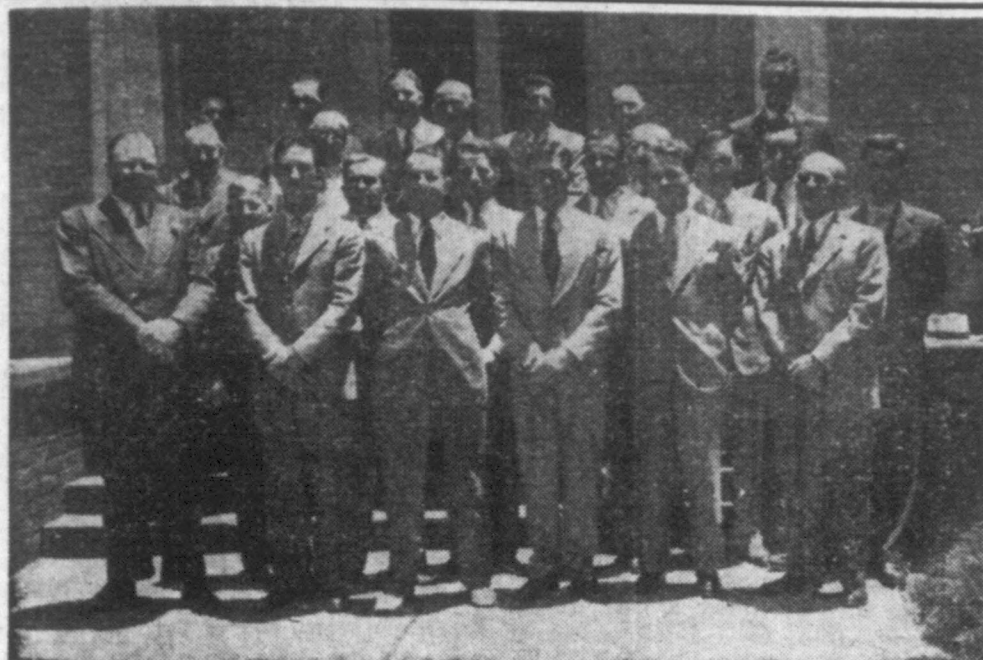
"The Co-operative Program is the best plan for supporting all our Baptist work. It enables me to support all causes, support them regularly and according to their various needs. The Co-operative Program saves time. One offering supports all causes. No other plan does as much for as many causes.

Our 1947 GOAL—\$1,000,000 through the Co-operative Program from Mississippi Baptists!



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TERRY BROTHERHOOD

The above is a recent picture of the Brotherhood at Terry. Certainly there is not a more dynamic group of men anywhere than are these. The Brotherhood Secretary visited with them on June 5 and enjoyed a very fine program directed by Arthur Sullivan, a brother to Jimmy of Nashville.

The following are officers: President, W. W. Keeler; membership vice-president, George Birdsong; activities vice-president, L. K. Taylor; program

vice-president, Arthur Sullivan; secretary, W. T. Head; treasurer, E. H. Birdsong; pianist, Gene Jones; and chorister, John Eley.

Some of their activities have been: held Laymen's Revival, has visitation program in interest of church on fourth Sunday, and furnishes men's choir on Sunday morning. They are planning now to hold bush-arbor revivals in and around Terry. Brother Thurman Booth, their pastor, believes in these boys and they strictly believe in him.

WEST GULFPORT PASTOR



Rev. E. S. Flynt

Rev. E. S. Flynt, who for many years has served churches on the Coast, is doubtless enjoying his most fruitful ministry now at West Gulfport Church, organized January 19, 1947. It made our hearts rejoice to learn that this new church organized a Brotherhood on May 28, and elected the following officers: J. L. Currie, president; H. C. Walker, membership vice-president; W. E. Smith, program vice-president; activities vice-president, B. F. Bell; and J. W. Allen, secretary-treasurer.

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The West Laurel Baptist church has had the best Vacation Bible School in history, with 276 enrolled and an average attendance of 196. There were nine professions of faith among the boys and girls. Mrs. H. J. Rushing was the capable principal and was aided by a fine corps of workers. The commencement program on Wednesday night, June 18, was outstanding and was attended by a good group of friends.

LEESBURG PASTOR



Rev. Grady Smith

The Brotherhood Secretary accompanied by T. M. Dickson, president of the Brotherhood at Northside Church in Jackson, had the pleasure of assisting in organizing a Brotherhood at Leesburg Church in Rankin County on the night of June 11. Forty-two men responded to the call of their pastor, Rev. Grady Smith, and enthusiastically organized a Brotherhood with the following officers: J. E. Everett, president; Fred Parker, membership vice-president; Hardy Ramshur, program vice-president; Tod Joyner, activities vice-president, and Bill Bates, secretary-treasurer.

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Pastor Phil J. Walker writes that there were five additions by letter, one profession of faith, and three rededications on Sunday, June 15 at Mars Hill Church, Amite County.

Poplar Springs Church Calls Rev. Sam Crawford As Pastor Also Ordains Two As Deacons

Poplar Springs church in Copiah Association has set plans for the future in the calling of Rev. Sam Crawford as pastor for half time and in ordaining two new deacons.

Those ordained were J. H. Purvis and S. L. Jasper. Rev. W. T. Green preached the ordination sermon. Rev. M. P. Jones led in the prayer. Visiting deacons from Sardis church were A. C. Gandy and A. G. Farrar. This church has preaching on the first and third Sundays each month.

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Ackerman Has Fine Revival

One of the outstanding revivals in the experience of Pastor I. F. Metts was the one just held at Ackerman, according to enthusiastic reports received. There were 29 additions, 17 of them by baptism. Rev. W. L. Day of Louisville, did the preaching, which was of the highest type, according to Pastor Metts. W. E. Carter of New Albany led the singing and did good work as soloist.

The people are rejoining over the strengthening of the church, as well as over the additions.

An attic fan has been placed in the pastor's new home, and steady improvement in all the property and grounds is going on. A place for the youth of the church is being prepared as a playground, thus pointing toward making church the center of the life of the people.

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Macon BTU Is Doing Things

Mrs. O. U. Jones, reporter for the Macon Training Union, writes, "Why don't more folks join the B.A.U. and enjoy the fun, the fellowship and further the training of service for the Master?" Mrs. J. E. McDavid Bible Teachers' leader, makes the query an interesting feature of the B.A.U.

Among their recent activities have been a surprise birthday party honoring Pastor R. D. Pearson. This was at the invitation of Miss Jewel Faire Fox, secretary of the B.A.U. A birthday cake, home-made ice cream and a gift of a flyrod to the preacher were some of the highlights of this event.

An opening assembly is proving helpful. All ages from the tory Hour through the Adults participate in this assembly program. Mrs. Iva B. Jackson, Director, who is away for the summer was honored with a shower of gifts on June 8. In her absence Mrs. H. S. Clark, associate director, is serving capably.

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The Baptist Record has received a copy of the resolutions recently adopted by the Itawamba County Association concerning Rev. Charles Everett, county missionary, who recently resigned to accept the pastorate of Paynes Church. The resolutions speak in highest terms of the work of Mr. and Mrs. Everett and their Christian life. The resolutions are signed by Rev. W. C. Hamilton, moderator, W. A. Rhodes, Jr., clerk.

Ronke Church, Sunflower County, of which Rev. W. L. Marsh is pastor, reports a successful eight-day revival in which Rev. Earl Hall of Birmingham did the preaching and the pastor led the singing. There were 44 additions, 23 of whom came for baptism.

Miss Louise Cartledge of Winona, graduate of Hillman and Blue Mountain Colleges, will begin on July 15 her duties as Educational Director of First Church, Danville, Kentucky. The pastor of the Danville Church is Rev. Wayne E. Todd, Mississippian.

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13c and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that they profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

FLAT ROCK IS NUMBER 867

Flat Rock, Benton County, is one of the latest additions to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. Geo. W. Wages, Rev. C. S. Wales supplied and also explained the EVERY FAMILY Plan. The result was the usual one—the church unanimously adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan and a list of 42 names has already been received.

Baptist Record readers in Benton County are now listed as follows: Ashland 72, Canaan 1, Curtis Creek 1, Flat Rock 42, Hamilton 19, Hickory Flat 58, Lonoke 1, Pleasant Hill 1, Bluff Springs 1, Lamar 1, New Central 10.

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The Vacation Bible School at Booneville, First Church, proved a great blessing to the church as 175 were enrolled. There were two professions of faith and 220 young people dedicated their lives to full time Christian service. The mission offering amounted to \$36.67. The offering was designated for associational missions in Prentiss County. Miss Cita Harris, Church Secretary, served as principal of the Bible School.

Rev. V. H. Cowser of Hermosa Beach, California, one of the three surviving members of the class of 1897 at Mississippi College is spending a few weeks in Mississippi and is available for revival meetings or for single lectures on such subjects as: The Four-fold Phases of Salvation; Living, Giving and Loving; Rambling Reminiscences. His address is Clinton.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

By Rev. R. A. Eddleman, Clinton

Pastor E. G. Diamond and wife were royally received at Shubuta. They found Santa Claus had been to the parsonage and they are now living high and working hard.

Pastor Mark Harris has resigned Mt. Olive and Fellowship Churches in Prentiss County to enter the Fort Worth Seminary summer term. He has been with them for three years. Fellowship Church has called Dr. Dan Walters.

Brother T. W. Greene has found a ready response to his suggestion to hold pastors conferences in every county monthly.

The report comes of the death of Brother J. S. Berry at Tupelo on May 5th. Rev. Berry was one of the best men in Mississippi, for he served his Master with unselfish devotion. He was a great friend to the Baptist Orphanage and was Dr. J. R. Carter's right-hand man.

Ackerman and Mabon Churches have called J. H. Winstead, Jr., of Bridgeport, Texas, who has just finished his work at the Seminary at Ft. Worth. He is a Mississippian and graduated from Miss. College five years ago and was pastor at Fayette for a short while.

The State Teachers Association at its meeting in Jackson last week elected Dr. J. W. Provine as President. It will be an honor well bestowed.

Rev. Lee B. Spencer, Yazoo City, was granted a month's vacation in order to recuperate after many months of intense pastoral duties.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary . . . Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
Associates: Joe Abrams, Louise Hill, Clarice Conner, Alene Johnson

Insisting on people tithing is not necessarily an effort to raise more money for the work of the Lord. It is an effort to enlist people to do what the Lord said is right for them to do. Yes, the work of the Lord needs the tithe that it may be financed properly, but the Christian needs to bring the tithe and offerings into the Lord's treasury in order to be honest and happy.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(1) Juniors, (2) All Others

Sun. (1) Mark 1:1-4, (2) Psm. 100.

Mon. (1) Mark 1:5-8, (2) Matt. 6: 25-34.

Tu. (1) Mark 1:9-11, (2) Acts 17: 22-31.

Wed. (1) Mark 1:12-20, (2) 1 Chron. 29:6-15.

Th. (1) Mark 1:21-28, (2) Heb. 2: 1-10.

Fri. (1) Mark 1:29-39, (2) 2 Peter 3:8-18.

Sat. Sunday School Lessons.

THE SECOND WEEK OF DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

At this writing (June 14) ten of our District Conventions have been held. They were great spiritual occasions and we feel brought blessings to many, many individuals. There were several high points in each of the meetings, room forbids more than a mere mention of a few of these: In Plantersville we had 73 Intermediates in the conference; in Noxapater there were 20 story hour children in the conference; in Natchez there were 14 Juniors in the Memory Work Drill and 13 of them had a perfect score; at Clinton there were six ensembles participating in the program. The attendance from Lincoln Co. at the Natchez meeting was noticeable, 119 from seven churches were counted. Associational Director A. S. Minton was highly pleased with the co-operation the churches gave him. A bus load from First Gulfport helped to swell the attendance at Hattiesburg, they came seventy miles. Pastor Odle was right there with his crowd. At nearly every convention there was one or more busses either bringing a one church crowd or representatives from several churches. We will give you in next week's Record a report on the last week's conventions. The officers for the new year for the conventions meeting June 9-13 are as follows: District (12) President, Howard Weaver; Vice-President, George Foster, Jr.; Secretary, Mrs. Sadie Fullilove; Department Leader, Mrs. J. N. Holloway. (13) President, S. C. Ray; Vice-President, B. V. Harper; Secretary, Miss Jessie Stewart; D. L., C. R. Haire. (14) President, Dr. Mark Lowry; Vice-President, Rev. J. K. Moore; Secretary, Miss Lillie McGee; D. L., Mrs. C. O. Lindsey. (15) President, Rev. Glenn Smith; Vice-President, Rev. Elton Barlow; Secretary, Mrs. J. D. King; D. L., Miss Bonnie Cole. (1) President, Rev. W. E. Hardy; Vice-President, George Meek; Secretary, Miss Lennie Powell; D. L., Miss Norma Lee Smith.

New Unions for May 26. 4 Story Hours, 7 Junior Unions, 6 Intermediate Unions, 5 Young People's Unions, 4 Adult Unions. Thirty-five (35), half of our associations, requested awards during the month of May. We issued 2,797 awards in May, the

highest number going to Hinds-Warren who received 434. The next highest was Pike receiving 414. Neshoba is third with 171. Yazoo fourth with 159, and Lebanon is fifth with 143.

CALVARY WARREN CO. VOTE TO HAVE YOUTH WEEK EVERY YEAR

The Youth Week proved so helpful to the Calvary Church in Warren Co. they voted to observe it every year. Robert Dickson, Jr., reporting on their program for this year says: "It proved and revealed unused talents in our youth and also caused the young people to appreciate the church leaders. This week was a mountain top experience for us all. The messages brought by 18-year-old Dave Ellison, Jr., were exceedingly good and appreciated by all."

JONES CO. PLANS SIMULTANEOUS TRAINING UNION ENLARGEMENT FOR JULY 6-11

Missionary John Cook reports they have 24 churches pledged to co-operate in a simultaneous Training Union enlargement program the week of July 6-11. Twenty-three of these will have at least one visiting worker who will be director of the program and who will teach one of the books. This bids to be one of the best efforts like this the Training Union department has helped with and we hope to have a good report for you soon.

Speaking at the Fordham University commencement, Cardinal Spellman accused United States Protestants of waging a crusade of bigotry. He denounced newspapers which criticized the decision of the Supreme Court in New Jersey bus case, and said that Catholics could not accept the dogma of the First Amendment that all churches are equal in the sight of God.

In a letter to the editor of the New York Times, Stanley I. Stuber, Northern Baptist leader; Clyde R. Miller, Columbia University; and Guy Emery Shipley, editor of The Churchman, stated that they were not opposed to the Catholic Church as a church, but they were opposed to the Roman Catholic political state.

Paul Hutchinson has been named editor of the Christian Century to succeed Charles Clayton Morrison who retired as editor after thirty-nine years of service. Harold E. Fey will succeed Mr. Hutchinson as managing editor. Dr. Morrison will continue as editor of The Pulpit.

MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER
June 30—Rev. A. E. Maxon, Trustee, Clarke Memorial College; Rev. D. W. Moulder, Smith County Convention Board Member.

July 1—Rev. Fred Bookter, member Brotherhood Committee, Mississippi Baptist Convention; Ben Stevens, Trustee, Mississippi Woman's College.

July 2—George W. Beswick, Blue Mountain College faculty; Rev. J. D. Thompson, Lee County Convention Board Member.

July 3—Dr. A. H. Germany, Associate Professor Chemistry, Mississippi College; Intermediate G. A. Camp, July 7-12.

July 4—C. P. Bowman, Chickasaw County B. T. U. Director; Dr. F. K. Horton, Trustee, Blue Mountain College.

July 5—B. T. U. Weeks at Ridgecrest July 10-30; Frisby Marble, Mississippi College Trustee.

July 6—Rev. C. O. Estes, member Committee Temperance; W. H. Sumrall, member Committee on Semi-Service.

S. R. WOODSON CALLED TO COLUMBUS FIRST

Tennessee Pastor Is Choice To Succeed Dr. J. D. Franks



The First Baptist Church of Columbus has extended a call to Dr. S. R. Woodson, 39-year-old pastor of the First Baptist Church of Humboldt, Tenn., to become pastor of the church here, according to F. F. Parsons, chairman of the pulpit committee. Dr. J. D. Franks, pastor of the church for 26 years, recently resigned to enter the Church World Service organization.

Dr. Woodson has been pastor of the First Church of Humboldt for 12 years and is a graduate of Union University in Jackson, Tenn., and of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Union University and of the Tennessee State Convention Board. He is considered by denominational leaders to be an outstanding minister in West Tennessee.

Dr. Woodson conducted services at the First Baptist Church, Columbus, on a recent Sunday. The recommendation of the pulpit committee was overwhelmingly approved and the call extended.

The First Baptist Church of Columbus is the third largest in Mississippi in membership, which numbers 1,700. It is considered to be one of the largest and strongest churches within the Southern Baptist Convention territory.

According to a telegram to the pulpit committee Dr. Woodson accepted the call and expects to be on the field by Sept. 1.

PROHIBITING AID TO CHURCH SCHOOLS

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. —(RNS)—
An amendment to the Constitution of the United States which would prohibit parochial schools from obtaining federal aid was urged by the Northern Baptist Convention in a resolution adopted at its annual meeting here.

In another resolution the Convention urged that a conference of religious leaders and representatives of the Federal Council of Churches be convened for the purpose of forming a special committee which will champion the cause of separation of church and state, particularly as it relates to the granting of public money for use by private, sectarian or parochial schools.

In the same resolution, the Convention again called for "immediate action by President Truman in recalling Myron C. Taylor as special representative to the Vatican."

Rev. W. M. Crocker To Attend Baptist World Alliance—Will Visit Son's Grave In Belgium

Rev. and Mrs. Wesson M. Crocker of Bruce will sail on the Queen Elizabeth on July 17 for the Baptist World Alliance. They go as messengers from New Hope and Camp Grounds Churches in Yalobusha County. Rev. Mr. Crocker is pastor of these churches. The churches are aiding in paying the cost of the trip.

While in Europe they will visit the grave of their son, Technician Roy M. Crocker, who was killed in the battle of the Belgian Bulge on December 21, 1944. Roy is buried in the American Military Cemetery four miles north of , Belgium.

The Crockers will visit other military cemeteries in that area and will be glad to visit graves of other soldiers. Anyone interested in having them visit such graves should write Rev. Mr. Crocker at Bruce.

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Pelahatchie Man Ordained

Grady Ward, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ward, of Pelahatchie, was ordained on Sunday morning, June 8, 1947, at the Pelahatchie Church.

On Saturday evening preceding the ordination, a presbytery composed of the pastor, G. W. Smith, and R. Y. Gerrard of Morton, together with the deacons, conducted the examination of the candidate. Rev. H. T. McLaurin of Newton, preached the sermon and gave the charge to the church. Rev. G. W. Smith delivered the charge to the young minister. A. J. Glaze, chairman of the deacons, presented a beautiful Bible, a gift from the church.

Rev. Mr. Ward is a graduate of Mississippi College, class of 1940. He was inducted into the army on June 2, 1942, and served 18 months at camps in Virginia, Florida, and Texas. He was soon promoted to Staff Sergeant and for over a year served as Supply Sergeant at Camp Howze, Texas. He has taught for twelve years, the last three years as superintendent of the Leaksville Special Consolidated School.

Mrs. Ward is the former Myra Platt of Leaksville. They have one daughter, Kay, age three years. They will go soon to New Orleans where he plans to enter the Seminary.

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CHURCHES END 20-YEAR SEARCH FOR PASTOR

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. —(RNS)—
Two Grand Rapids churches have a pastor now—to end a 20 years' search, during which they had to be content with reading services.

He is th Rev. W. C. Lamin, who with his wife and 7 children arrived from The Netherlands and were greeted joyfully by a throng of parishioners from The Division Avenue and the Ottawa Avenue Netherlands Reformed churches, whose pastor he will be.

Mr. Lamin will preach in the Dutch language at the Division Avenue Church and will serve as counselor to members of the Ottawa Avenue church until he learns to speak English. This is his first visit to America and his English vocabulary is limited, but that factor will not hamper his ministry at the two churches, whose members are solidly Dutch.

Because there is no seminary of their denomination in the United States, the two local Netherlands Reformed churches had to send to the Netherlands for a pastor. Previous appeals, however, were unsuccessful and for two decades the members have had

Sunday School Lesson

(Prepared by Bracey Campbell; Lesson for June 29.)

ENDURING CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE NATION. II Chron. 5, 6; Ps. 119:9-16; Isaiah 2:1-5; Micah 6. I. The Purpose of These Studies. Let us face for a moment the ancient question as to why we spend time studying these ancient archives of a people who were never ranked among the leading, prominent, powerful people of the world. Were it not better to spend the same class periods studying the works of some great poet or philosopher? or the compositions of some musician with power to lift us out of ourselves into the atmosphere of great art? The answer is that the chroniclers of the history we have been studying were peculiarly the spokesmen of God, and that to them was committed by the Almighty the high and holy test of writing a record of the race which God had chosen to preserve His name, teach the world the religion of the one true God, and to bear the world's Redeemer in His good time. It is not likely that there were ever in the world at once 25,000,000 members of the children of Abraham, and we are told that there are now not more than 10,000,000 of them alive in the whole world of 2,000,000,000 people, or one-half of one per cent, and yet this minor race has exerted a major influence in the world for many centuries; and all this because God in His sovereign mercy elected to grace the world through them.

II. National Failure and Success. Our study for the quarter is ended, and it has ended with the story of Israel's national downfall. The Hebrew nation has ceased to exist. It was to be restored after the exile, but would never attain in anything approaching the glory lighted the reigns of David and Solomon. The national progress had for a time been heartening. Moses had led a band of slaves out of Egypt, slaves debased as slaves always are, and eight centuries had elapsed since exodus from the land of bondage. Their God had promised the people great things, and always kept His promise inviolate so far as God could. But even God cannot make a man or a nation of men what they will not. The sons of Jacob never completely possessed the Land of Promise, never subdued all of it, never completely dispossessed the wicked inhabitants of the land; because the faith of the conquerors always failed short of the fulfillment of the promises of God. His people would not, and where they would not, even God could not.

But had the Hebrew people completely failed? Had the enterprise of God ended in complete ruin? The rulers had failed, and the majority of the people had failed. But Israel had left to the world a legacy of glory which was to increase in value with the passing years. III. Enduring Contributions. 1. The Old Testament. Upon the Old Testament as a foundation, men of the race of Israel were to erect the fair structure of the New Testament, with the possible exception of the writings of Luke, who seems to have been a Greek. The Jews gave us our Bible and, in so doing, they made all succeeding genera-

MORTON HAS ONE WEEK VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Pastor R. Y. Gerrard of Morton writes that 85 were enrolled in their recent Vacation Bible School. An offering of \$11.65 was designated to go to the children's ward of the infantile paralysis hospital in Jackson.

Commencement exercises were held on Friday morning and many parents and friends attended.

Among those who served as leaders were: Principal, Miss Mary Lee Boozar; choir leader, Miss Berda Mae Warren; pianist, Mrs. R. Y. Gerrard; general secretary, Miss Buddy Tollos; boys' handwork, M. J. Byrd; girls' handwork, Miss Irminate Smith; refreshments, Mrs. Burnham, and department superintendents, Mrs. Orban Magers, Mrs. Frank Glick, Mrs. Morris Tullos, Mrs. Leighton Kelly.

tions of men their debtors. (a) As literature, the Bible occupies first place among the libraries of the world. It has influenced every field of art, music, of literature of every form, as no other writings of all the centuries have done. (b) As a manual of counsel on the successful life, the Bible has no equal. There is more common sense and sound counsel on the way to live the wise man's life than is to be found anywhere else in the world. (c) Above all else, it is a supernatural product. It is the message of the Almighty to the hearts of men.

2. The Divine Ideal of Peace. True religion is to be the core of a restored world wherein righteousness shall bear fruit in peace. What perplexes men who yearn for peace is the fact that even the simplest men cannot see that peace will never rest in the bosom of this restless, troubled world till men get right with God. The hope that a bunch of God-neglecting, God-hating, God-defying men can sit down at a counsel table and devise a written instrument, an agreement minus God, which shall bind Godless men in the bonds of peace is a dream so fantastic that it makes no appeal to the very commonest brand of common sense.

3. The Divine Ideal of Judgment. The history of Israel gives us this: The accountability of men. Men must face their records. In His good time, God will bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good or bad.

4. The Divine Ideal of Sincerity in Worship. How the world needs that! There is too much of vain show and hollow pretense in our churches today. The ideal of worship set forth in the history of the Hebrews is that of worship in spirit and truth.

5. The Supreme Contribution of the Hebrew Nations Was the World's Redeemer. All that the souls of devout men long for, a soul-nourishing knowledge of the Word of God, the righteousness whichever must precede peace, the preparation for the judgment which will not stay its coming, but will bring all men before the bar of undeviating righteousness, the attainment unto the perfect manhood which shall please the heart of the Eternal, the sincerity of a religious service grounded on the faith without which no man shall see the Lord, and the fellowship of His people with the Redeemer and the Redeemer's God and the consequent fellowship of each with all and all with each shall be fruit of this contribution.



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Ridgecrest Reflected

Approximately 3,000 college students from every section and from most of the institutions of higher learning in the South, over 200 of them being from the colleges of Mississippi, were challenged and were brought face to face with reality as perhaps never before at the twenty-first annual Student Retreat at Ridgecrest ending yesterday, a week ago.

The theme for the meeting was "Tomorrow Is Yours." Almost every personality on the program referred to it. All of us of the "younger generation" were made to realize more clearly than ever before that the future of our nation and of our world is our responsibility; that if the mistakes of the present and previous generations are to be overcome and not made again, we shall have to overcome and profit by them.

Greater than any other I have ever attended was the program of this year's Retreat. From the opening message of Dr. Ted Adams, of First Church, Richmond, Va., to the closing address of Dr. T. L. Holcomb, of Nashville, on the keynote, all of us in attendance were shown in bold relief

the appalling condition of our present world and the puniness of present-day Christianity's efforts to conquer it for Christ. As Dr. Ellis Fuller, President of our Louisville Seminary, said, our present brand of comfortable Christianity will never conquer the world. The trouble is not that Christ is unable to conquer the world. He has always and ever shall be able. The trouble is with us Christians who call Him, "Lord, Lord" and do not the things that He says.

So great was the impact of the program upon the lives of many of us that we came away from Ridgecrest with an impelling sense of obligation to tell others what we heard and saw there. Therefore, I intend to present in this column and by word of mouth many of the statements from my Ridgecrest notes. The three busloads of Mississippians, together with the others who came other ways from our State, despite the arduousness of the trip there and back and the strenuousness of the schedule there, cannot, I feel, help being greater Christians the rest of their lives than they were on Wednesday, June 12, when we began our trek to the "Land of the Sky."

RIDGECREST NEWS LETTER

By Beth Prim

Some of the most gifted speakers in the nation have spoken to the 3,000 southern Baptist college students at Ridgecrest this week.

Rep. Walter H. Judd, Fifth District congressman from Minnesota, urged the young people to "pursue Christian purpose in life as dogmatically as Hitler pursued his purpose. For Christian young people have something great to pursue," he said.

Charles A. Wells, the gifted journalist and artist from New York City, spoke two times, stressing that "we cannot keep the atom bomb without the Cross of Christ—else there will be no tomorrows."

Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the executive committee of the Sunday School Board, urged the continued fight for the separation of church and state in our nation.

Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, president of Southern Baptist Seminary, challenged the young people to remember that "we are facing eminent doom at the hands of our own scientific progress, unless the gospel is given to a lost world."

Dr. Frank H. Leavell, southwide secretary of the BSU, urged the 125 young people who offered their lives to God Sunday morning to "write their decision in their Bible or to tell it to someone."

The students and faculty here this week have given \$2,000 to foreign relief, after Dr. Lin's address.

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Dr. William Potter, former Carthage pastor's report he is keeping busy since leaving Carthage last month. He recently preached at Trinity Baptist Church, Memphis, and also spoke before the Memphis group of National Laymen's Evangelistic Association. From June 4-5 he preached in a series of evangelistic services at Levi Baptist Church, Memphis, with 44 professions of faith and 3 additions by letter.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.
CALLED AND ACCEPTED

Robert Y. Rudd, First, Hinton, Okla., from Sharron and Pocasset.

C. W. Caves, First Osage, Okla., from Indianola.

J. O. Colley, First, Albertville, Alabama, from Mountain Brook Church, Birmingham, Alabama.

James H. Butler, West End, Birmingham, Alabama, from First, Salacouga.

M. A. Gary, Independence and Black Jack, Texas, from Elgin.

Robert Brown, Eagle Lake, Texas.

G. D. Bailey, Clegg, Texas.

W. G. Binford, Skidmore, Texas, from Pawnee.

E. H. Darby, Santa Rosa, Texas, from Waller.

David Crow, Westbrook, Texas, from Clovis, New Mexico.

Burdett Hitt, Sterley, Texas.

Leslie Newman, Glebe Church, Arlington, Virginia.

W. Hal Hunter, First, Lake Wales, Fla.

Ralph B. White, Twelfth Street, Paducah, Kentucky, from East Church, Louisville.

Raymond Jones, Fountain Run, Kentucky.

Gordon T. Mason, Kilmarnock, Virginia, from Middleburg.

C. C. Cross, East Marion Church, North Carolina, from Lebanon Church, Greensboro.

O. B. Reed, Tuckaseegee, North Carolina, from Assistant Pastor, Loray Church, Gastonia.

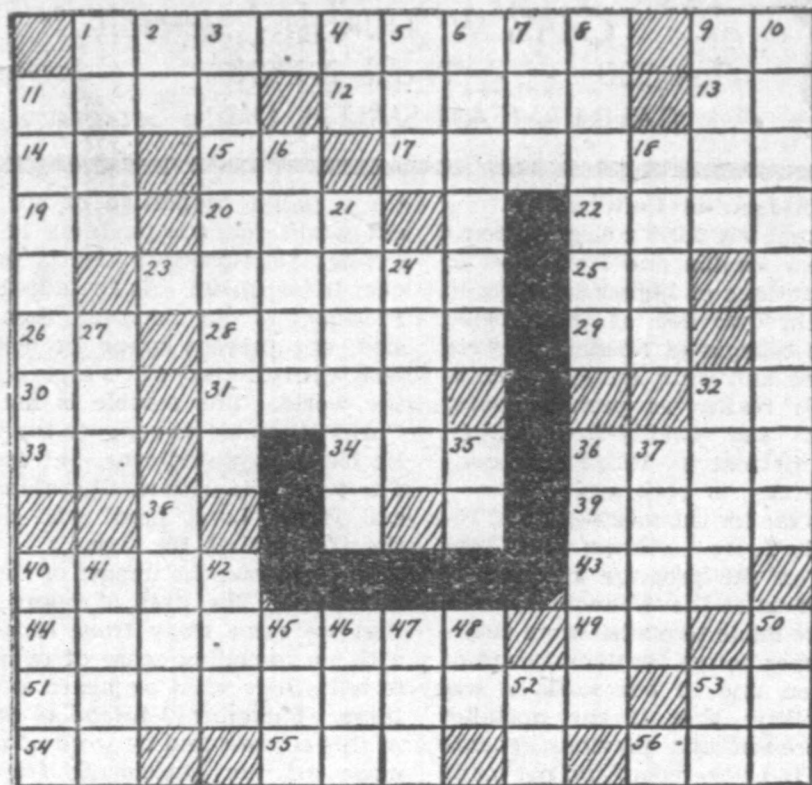
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Miss King Serves At Canton

Miss Maxie King, talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. King, has assumed the post of activities director of the First Baptist Church at Canton, until her return for the final year of her work at the School of Music of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Woman's Missionary Union Training at Louisville, Kentucky.

Miss King will have direction of all choral work and recreational activities of the church throughout the summer at Canton.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Repent ye: for the kingdom of he

HORIZONTAL

- 1 "Behold, I send my . . . before thy face" Mark 1:2
 9 Worthy Patriarch
 11 "Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and . . . a while" Mark 6:31
 12 " . . . up children unto Abraham" Luke 3:3
 13 " . . . is my flesh of brass" Job 6:12
 14 Lava
 15 Ruthenium
 17 " . . . ye the way of the Lord" Luke 3:4
 19 "As . . . is written in the prophets" Mark 1:2
 20 "Ye shall find an . . . tied" Matt. 21:2
 22 Scandinavian book
 23 "strike the . . . and the two side posts with the blood" Ex. 12:22
 25 North America
 26 And (F.)
 28 Cavity of hollow rock nodule
 29 Transpose
 30 "I find . . . fault in this man" Luke 23:4
 31 "the kingdom of heaven is at . . ." Matt. 3:2
 32 Seventh note in scale
 33 "We have walked . . . and fro through the earth" Zech. 1:11
 34 "But if thine . . . be evil" Matt. 6:23
 36 "girdle of a . . ." Mark 1:6
 39 "On these two commandments . . . all the law and the prophets" Matt. 22:40
 40 "camel's . . ." Matt. 3:4
 43 Indorsements
 44 Pertaining to an ellipse
 49 Each
 51 "preaching in the . . . of Judaea" Matt. 3:1
 53 Railroad
 54 New Mexico
 55 "with silver, iron, . . . , and lead" Ezek. 27:12
 56 "how can we know the . . ." John 14:5

VERTICAL

- 1 "his . . . was locusts and wild honey" Matt. 3:4
 2 Plural ending of nouns
 3 "make his paths . . ." Matt. 3:3
 4 Ancestor of Jesus Luke 3:28
 5 A little sleep
 6 "and a leathern . . . about his loins" Matt. 3:4
 7 Compass point
 8 "And saying, . . . ye" Matt. 3:2
 9 "the . . . of God came unto John" Luke 3:3
 10 " . . . the baptism of repentance" Luke 3:3
 11 "had his . . . of camel's hair" Matt. 3:4
 16 Genus of lichens
 18 Twelfth month of Jewish year
 21 "God is able of these . . . to raise up children" Matt. 3:9
 24 Circular whirl of air or water
 27 Also
 32 "confessing their . . ." Mark 1:5
 35 Hebrew deity
 36 "the latchet of whose . . . I am not worthy to unloose" Luke 3:16

aven is at hand." Matt. 3:2.

- 37 New Zealand parrot
 38 "every mountain and . . . shall be brought low" Luke 3:5
 40 "every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is . . . down" Matt. 3:10
 41 Mohammedan religious teacher
 42 "and I will . . . evil beasts out of the land" Lev. 26:6
 45 Household animal
 46 Three
 47 "no room for them in the . . ." Luke 2:7
 48 Civil Engineer
 50 "The voice of one . . . ing in the wilderness" Matt. 3:3
 52 "if God . . . clothe the grass" Matt. 6:30
 53 Sun god

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HOLLY SPRINGS B.T.U. GOES FORWARD

The B. T. U. at Holly Springs Church was organized Feb. 3, 1946. The first meeting we had 29 members enrolled.

By 10th of March we had three departments with 35 members enrolled, and on April 29th, the four departments were organized.

The night of April 14th a group of young people from Union Church, Lincoln County, sponsored a program for us, directed by Mrs. J. J. Horton there were a large number out for the program and it was appreciated by all present.

We received a blackboard as gift from Rev. J. J. Horton. The B. T. U. has sponsored many socials and programs for the church since organized. We had a Study Course in November, 1946, with 31 receiving diplomas and March seventeen members of B. T. U. took teachers' training courses at the First Church, Brookhaven and received diplomas and seals, under the direction of State Secretary A. J. Wilds. We now are helping sponsor a week's School of Music preparation for our revival meeting. ANNIE MARIE RUTLEDGE, Secretary, B. T. U.

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The Forest Baptist Church has recently completed one of the finest Vacation Bible Schools ever held in the history of the church. One hundred and ninety-eight (198) students were enrolled during the week, with an average of 162 attending. Ninety-six students received certificates awarded them for perfect attendance.

Andrew Q. Allen has been elected director of public relations for the Texas Baptist Convention.

William Gupton Elected President of Sunday School Board
Dr. T. L. Holcomb Re-Elected Secretary For Twelfth Year

By Porter Routh

William Gupton, Nashville layman and long-time member of the Sunday School Board, was elected president to succeed Dr. W. F. Powell in the annual meeting held last week in Nashville. Because of the rotation system adopted for the boards at the Miami Convention, Dr. Powell was not re-named to the Sunday School Board at the St. Louis meeting.

Dr. T. L. Holcomb, re-elected for his twelfth year as executive secretary-treasurer, pointed out the progress made in sales in periodicals and merchandise for the first five months of 1947, and assured members of the Board that every effort would be continued to produce the very best Bible study material available.

Dr. J. O. Williams, head of the Division of Education and Promotion, announced that Fred H. Porter, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Eastland, Texas, had been elected as an associate in the Vacation Bible School department.

Dr. Clifton J. Allen, head of the Division of Editorial Service, reported that, effective January 1, Open Windows would follow the Training Union series of Bible readings and would be featured as a devotional study for personal use. Dr. Allen also announced that the story papers published by the Board, Storytime, The Sentinel, and Upward would be graded and enlarged to furnish more adequate material for boys and girls.

Harold E. Ingraham, head of the Division of Business Management, told the Board that new Baptist book store would be opened at Tulsa on

RICHMOND, Va. —(BP)— Three "schools of the prophets" will be sponsored by Virginia Baptists the latter part of June, according to an announcement by James R. Bryant, executive secretary.

The schools are at Bluefield College, June 23-27; Hargrave Military Academy, June 30-July 4; and University of Richmond, June 23-26.

There are now 58,250,000 consumers of alcohol in the United States as compared with 42,900,000 in 1940, a 35 per cent increase, according to Dr. E. M. Jellinek of Yale, writing in the Quarterly Journal of Studies of Alcohol.

The Copiah County singers will meet at Shady Grove Baptist Church, four miles east of Hazelhurst on hi-way 20 on June 29, at 2:00 p. m., for their second quarterly convention. Everyone is cordially invited.—J. Clower, clerk.

June 15, and at Charlotte North Carolina, in September.

Support for an intensified drive against beverage alcohol under the leadership of Dr. John L. Hill was approved by the Board.

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Asks Spiritual Program To Match Military Training

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—If America is going to have universal military training, it must be matched with "universal moral and spiritual training."

Delmar L. Dyreson, associate director of the General Commission on Chaplains, made this statement here in reference to the report of the President's Advisory Commission on Universal Training, which strongly recommended conscription.

"As churchmen, we are interested in doing our part for the youth of America by providing adequate religious education and services for those who may be affected by a change in our country's military training policies," Mr. Dyreson, who also is editor of The Chaplain and The Ling, declared.

"The gathering of huge concentrations of men and women under national emergencies is looked upon by some as conducive to loose morals. From my experience in World War II, I feel that it is not accurate to say that the emergencies give origin to loose morals or that the tenets of religion were thus destroyed; rather, they revealed our deficiencies in making those tenets effective under the moral and spiritual stresses thus occasioned.

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THE HOLY SPIRIT IN MISSIONS is a new book by Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Board. This book is not intended as a complete study according to the author, but is in answer to a definite request. The book will be refreshing to pastors, executives, directors, and mission study groups. Christ's last words on earth outline his missionary program for His followers. The book is written to call attention to the Spirit's work in world evangelization. Some of the chapter headings are: The Missionary Beginning, The Heavenly Helper, A Sovereign Promise, The Holy Spirit and the World, The Holy Spirit and the Church, and Power for Service. Order from the Baptist Book Store for 50 cents.

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We are facing the season when in most of the states annual associational meetings will be convening. These county and district associations are the units of denominational co-operation. As go the associations, so will go the state conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention. Messengers from the more than 26,000 churches co-operating with Southern Baptists meet in these annual associations and consider their progress, problems, possibilities and purposes. The Foreign Mission Board, along with other agencies of Southern Baptists, appreciates the spirit, fellowship, and achievements of these associational organizations. Complying with the requests from state executive secretaries, our Board has prepared material for information concerning world missions, which is being sent out to the states in sufficient numbers to supply one or more copies to the missions committee in each one of the 928 co-operating associations. We hope that this information will not be used as a report on missions, but rather provide material which may be incorporated in a report written by the committee.

Speaking of associations, Dr. W. B. Crumpton, many years ago the beloved secretary of Alabama Baptists, described in his autobiography a meeting of the Bethel Association shortly after entering upon his duties as corresponding secretary. Miss Willie Kelly said to him: "Did you know, I wanted to go to China? The first trip you made to McKinley after my baptism, you gave out some Foreign Mission Journals. There I saw a letter from Miss Lottie Moon and was impressed to be a Foreign Missionary." That experience led her to China where she gave nearly half a century in glorious service.

Here is a letter from Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby of Brazil, who writes that a spirit of prayer is more manifest among Brazilian Christians. "We have hundreds of prayer bands called

'Intercessors,' praying daily for a spiritual awakening in Brazil. There are persons in every part of the country who are feeling the same urge." Believers, both in North America and in South America, and in all the world, need, above everything else, to magnify intercessory prayer.

A recent number of The Christian Century carries a report of the meeting of the Northern Presbyterians in Grand Rapids. The staff correspondent describes the hesitancy of the General Assembly to adopt a larger missionary budget. Then a woman arose and quietly described her recent visit to the Philippines. With a Filipino pastor she visited the military cemetery on Leyte and saw there the 12,000 white crosses and stars of David. Those men were "expendable." Then she went on to say that if the Christians of America had the same spirit as those men who sleep yonder on Leyte and would offer themselves to the Lord Jesus Christ as "expendables," there would be no question about adopting larger budgets for world missions. Without further debate the great Presbyterian body adopted the enlarged budget without a dissenting vote. We need, all of us, to have the spirit of the Apostle Paul who wrote, "I will most gladly spend and be spent for your souls."

A few days ago Mr. Buxton in a report of the Lottie Moon Offerings year by year since 1930. In 1932 the total Lottie Moon Offering was \$129,000-plus. Fifteen years later the Lottie Moon Offering of \$1,381,000 was more than ten times greater.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Culpepper left May 16 for Chile; Miss Alma Jackson, May 26 for Belo Horizonte, Brazil; Dr. William L. Wallace and Miss Blanche Bradley for Wuchow, China, and Miss Thelma Williams for Yangchow, China, on May 30; and Miss Hazel Moon for Nigeria on June 12. Recent arrivals are Miss Lora Clement from China, now at 25 N. Mountain St., Union, S. C., and Mrs. Anne Sowell Margrett from Argentina, now at 2023 Euclid Ave., Dallas, Texas.

We heard an associate secretary of the Seventh-Day Adventists say recently that the total sales of their religious literature and inspirational books last year almost reached the high total of \$10,000,000. This literature, in 185 languages, was distributed by more than 3,100 colporteurs. Their latest statistical report (1945) shows that 576,378 members gave \$6,041,024.68 for foreign missions, in addition to \$15,163,385.54 tithes and \$3,965,059.79 for home missions, a total of \$25,169,470.01, or \$118.47 per capita.

The Foreign Mission Board has received notice that the rate of exchange for China has recently jumped from \$12,000 to \$33,000 for \$1 U. S. Prices have increased proportionately. This problem, created by unsettled economic conditions as a result of war, makes imperative the availability of relief funds from American Christians.

Radio Awards To Be Made Contest To Close August 4

New York.—A national competition to find the best religious broadcast being aired over local stations was announced today by Dr. Ross Snyder, Dean of the Religious Radio Workshop at the University of Chicago. Religious organizations and local stations may enter samples of programs broadcast between August, 1946, and August, 1947, in a national competition to be judged by the members of the workshop.

Many Awards

Awards of \$25.00, \$15.00, and \$10.00 will be made to programs judged as first, second, and third in quality in each of the following categories: Interpretation of community affairs—programs which deal with a problem of local community life, or which interpret the community to itself; Religious education—teaching programs in which clear and attractive explanation is made of moral-religious principles of basic Christian experiences by which men live; Radio sermons—sermon programs which awaken faith and religious decisiveness; Christian family living—broadcasts interpreting personal Christian living in the home; Biography—programs which "crack open" the life of some person so that his fundamental motives, his conflicts, and the meaning of his existence are made clear. Interviews, dramatic narratives, are among the program formats which may be used; Religious news—commentaries on the news made from a religious viewpoint and broadcasts of current religious news; The Church in action—broadcasts which present something significant which Christians (more than one person) are doing in the world, in social actions, missionary work, post-war reconstruction, etc.; Services of worship and devotion; Children's programs; Programs for young people—broadcasts designed to interpret religion to them; to bring them into identification with the Judeo-Christian tradition.

Entries for the competition, which will become an annual feature of the workshop, close August 4, 1947. Judging will take place during the month of August. Announcement of the awards will be made early in September.

Dr. Dillard Will Retire From Convention Promotion Office

By E. C. Bryant

Dr. J. E. Dillard, long-time denominational servant and leader of the successful Hundred Thousand Club which played a big part in the retirement of the Southern Baptist debts, will retire June 30 as Director of Promotion for the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Dillard, who has held the Executive Committee post since 1936, is retiring at his own request because of ill health.

In addition to his work on the Hundred Thousand Club, Dr. Dillard has played a major part in leading Southern Baptists to a keener realization of the obligations of Christian stewardship. He also has led in planning the current campaign for "A Million Southern Baptist Tithers for Christ" and this fall's special three-month "Prove Me" tithing emphasis.

The Southern Baptist Convention, at its last meeting in St. Louis, voted unanimously expressions of appreciation to Dr. Dillard.

THE SPIRITUAL MESSAGE OF REBROWS by Francis E. Kearns and published by The Upper Room of Nashville, Tennessee, is an inexpensive booklet that should be helpful to any leader. The treatment is devotional in character. The price is 10c.

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MOVIES AND MORALS by Herbert J. Miles is not a long-haired tearing into a messy problem. It is a calm, concise, exact, Psychological, authoritative, and authenticated presentation of what is to many, the outstanding menace, next to liquor, to America and to the world. Dr. Hyman Appleman says that the book should be read and reread, studied, quoted and used. Among the chapter headings are "The Defendant Indicted", "The Hollywood Way of Life", and "Home, Screen Home". Order from the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan or from the Baptist Book Store. The price is \$1.50.

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SPARKS & SPLINTERS

Dr. Willis Howard has decided to stay as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, after the church there voted not to accept his resignation to accept call of Citadel Square, Charleston, South Carolina (not First Church, Columbia, as previously reported. First, Columbia, has not called a pastor.)

State Music Secretary Luther A. Harrison states that 17 Summer Field Workers are teaching music schools over the state. He also says these workers have a few unfilled dates especially during August and urges that those wishing schools make their requests as soon as possible in order that he may give such requests the choice of dates and teachers.

The Church Building Guide by Elbert M. Conover, Director, Interdenominational Bureau of Architecture is a "Know" how book for Ministers, architects, students of religion and architecture, devoted to laymen, and all who are concerned for the work of building, improving and using the church building for worship, religious education, fellowship and recreational activities. It is designed to make available the results of the experiences gained in working with church building committees, architects and craftsmen engaged in planning new buildings and improving church buildings throughout the land. The book sells for \$1.50 and is published by The Interdenominational Bureau of Architecture, 297 4th avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

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BUILDING A STEWARDSHIP CHURCH by J. E. Dillard and published by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention is a handbook for church workers. Dr. Dillard dedicates the little book to all pastors, stewardship committees, and all who are working and praying for a million Southern Baptist tithees for Christ. Part one contains six characteristics and essentials; part two contains discussions on stewardship and tithing by several pastors and laymen; and part three presents helps and hints. The booklet will be sent free to pastors and extra copies may be had for 20 cents. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

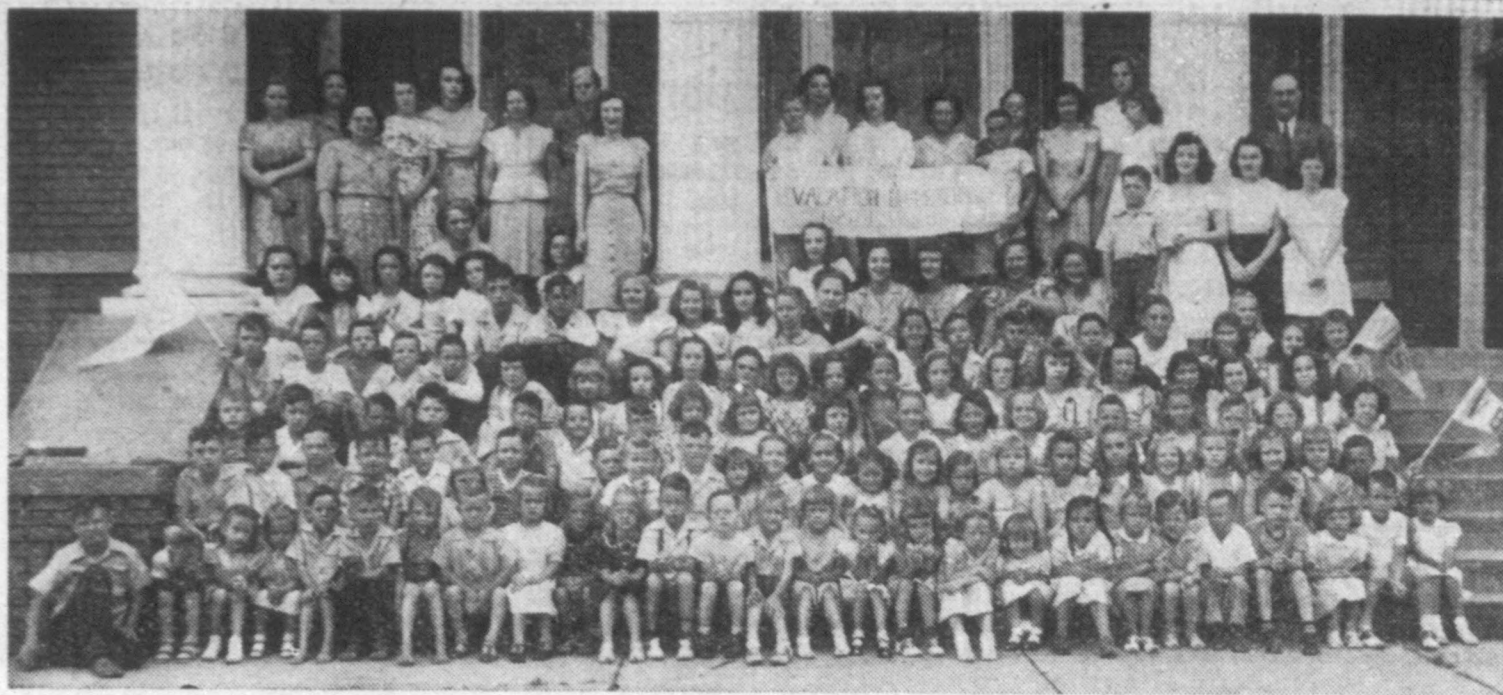
L. G. Sansing, pastor at Booneville recently returned from Frisco, Alabama where he conducted a revival with Rev. Clayton C. Pruett. There were nine professions of faith and three additions by letter.

The Vacation Bible School at Holly Springs enrolled 136 and had an average attendance of 123. Pastor Howard H. Aultman reports that it was the best Bible School in the history of the church.

Berea Church, Attala County recently started having a mid-week prayer meeting and there were 40 in attendance at the first meeting on June 18.—N. F. Greer, Pastor.

The Lauderdale County Association of Brotherhood will meet on June 30 at Eighth Avenue Church at 7:30 p. m. All men of Lauderdale County are invited.

Congratulations to Rocky Creek, George Co., on the organization of a second Adult Union. Mrs. W. W. Mills, the director says this new union is improving steadily, and that the enrollment, attendance and general average in the entire Training Union is showing marked improvement.



SHALL THE LIQUOR INTERESTS TEACH YOUR CHILDREN?

By Rev. Charles Granville Hamilton
You would not want a bartender, a liquor advertiser or an opponent of temperance teaching your children. But we have almost the same situation in Mississippi today. The teacher may be in favor of temperance, but the textbooks are not. And most children believe all they read in the textbook.

Perhaps your child is studying economics. The textbook used in our schools, "Making A Living", states (page 36) "it is not known whether there has been more drinking since repeal than under prohibition". You know better than that, but your child may swallow this. And the same book continues (page 38) "The opposition to regulation and interference was the strongest factor in repealing the amendment, and it came from many who had no direct personal interest in the return of alcoholic liquors." And (page 44) "Sumptuary legislation is unwise." The older economic books taught that the use of liquor was wrong economically; this book is definitely sympathetic to liquor.

Or perhaps your seventh grade child is taking Citizenship. He learns (page 34) from Foundation of Citizenship the textbook that "The use of alcohol is forbidden by Mohammedan rule but permitted under Christian rule." And the immature child will conclude that drinking is a Christian practice. Wonderful citizenship will no doubt be produced by this sort of propaganda!

"American Life" by Dulles while not a textbook is a widely used reference book in history. It states (page 46) "the bootleggers, rum runners and speakeasies disappeared with re-

peal (!). There was no return to the saloon (!!!) and little evidence of any increase in drunkenness. (!)" This deliberate falsification again is given to young minds.

Last year a new textbook in American history was given to the eighth grade The Building of Our Nation. Eighth graders will learn from it (page 764) "Many people were opposed to the (18th) amendment. The federal officers were unable to enforce prohibition. Many thoughtful men and women believed that the constant violation of the prohibition law created a spirit of lawlessness and encouraged the breaking of all laws. In 1933, therefore, the 21st amendment repealed the 18th." This marvellous confusion of logic, that if a law is violated it should be repealed, will be swallowed by credulous children.

All these statements in textbooks are not accidental. There is no proof that the textbook authors were paid to present liquor in a favorable light, but there is no proof they were not. It would not be the first time textbooks were perverted by special interests. It is also part of what we suffer from in our schools. In having textbooks which are opposed to our Southern, Mississippi and Christian ways of thought.

Some of these textbooks will be replaced next year. Some will not. But unless the good Christian people of the state stir themselves, we will soon have a whole generation educated to believe that any control of the liquor traffic is wrong. What a far cry from the days when temperance was one of the main teachings of our schools, and when character was formed in honesty and truth.

GOOD MUSIC AND REVIVALS

Good music in a revival is one of the essentials. It should be planned. It should be practiced and it should be promoted. It will not just happen.

Almost every church in the state could have five or six choirs during the revival. It is being done in some places, why not in your church?

Use the following plan: All Adults or Adults and Young People in on choir. All Intermediates in another choir, all Juniors, all Primaries and all Beginners in the other choirs. Have them sit in sections designated for them. At the close of some services have them all on the main platform in front of the Adult Choir for a closing song. Let's use more people!

Louisville Has Bible School

The First Church of Louisville, held a very successful Bible School May 26-June 6. The school was Grade A Standard, totaling 498 extra points. One hundred-ninety pupils were enrolled and 91 of this number received perfect attendance certificates. Rev. W. L. Day served as Pastor of the school, with Miss Mary Emily Greenway, Principal. Miss Ida Wood, Mrs. W. L. Day, Mrs. Norwell Haggard, and Mrs. H. C. Coggin, were department superintendents.

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Intermediates Share With Italian Groups

Last Christmas the Intermediate Department of the Training Union of the Clinton Church sent a package of food to a Baptist family in Naples, Italy, and since that time the Department has mailed three boxes of clothing, each weighing 11 pounds. One other box will be mailed in the near future.

The Department has received letters from the family and their pastor. The following are a few excerpts from the letters:

Thank you for your gift. May our good Heavenly Father reward you for it. If at all possible please send some shoes and clothing for a 21 year old boy. Wishing the greatest blessings be bestowed upon you. Your friend in Christ, COCCA ASTRO.

The following was written by the pastor of the Naples Baptist Church:

The Cocca Astro family in which you show interest is a good Christian family of our church, composed of four persons. It has an only son and he studies medicine; he is the president of our Young People's Organization.

For about 60 years we have had a Baptist Congregation in Naples of which I have been the Minister since 1929. We meet for worship, for Bible study, for prayer, and for the Sunday School composed of 60 young people and children.

I am the editor of fortnightly periodical which is called "Evangelical Union," which I send to many subscribers. Last year I baptized 26 people; they were formerly almost all Catholics. There are many poor people around us and as we receive aid we distribute it to relieve so much misery which war has brought here.

Divine benedictions be upon you."

G. ASPRINO RICCI

Any other group wishing to adopt a Baptist family abroad may secure their name and address from Baptist World Alliance, Washington, D.C.